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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

Local farmers urged to grow quality cotton strains through correct cultivation method

Need to produce quality products and medicines through best packaging system stressed

NAY PYI TAW, 10 July—Prime Minister U Thein Sein, accompanied by the ministers, the deputy ministers and departmental heads, left here by car yesterday morning and arrived at Textile Factory (Pyawbwe) of Myanma Textile Industries in Pyawbwe.

At the briefing hall, Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung reported on operating of machines at full capacity, production process, availability of raw materials, consumption of power, progress of trade and strength of staff.

After hearing the reports, the Prime Minister stressed the need to seek the best method for improvement of economy of the cotton growers and provide knowledge on applying correct cultivation method and systematic utilization of fertilizer.

The Prime Minister urged the employees to harmoniously make concerted efforts for boosting production and abide by disciplines for service personnel after cordially greeting them. The Prime Minister looked round the sections of the factory and textiles produced from Paleik, Shwedaung and Wundwin Textile and Finishing Plants and other textile factories.

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Prime Minister U Thein Sein views textiles produced by Textile Factory (Pyawbwe).—MNA



Prime Minister U Thein Sein looks into Myanma Pharmaceutical Factory (Inyaung).—MNA

Myogyi Multi-purpose Dam Project is located near Myogyi Village of Ywangan Township in Shan State (South). Its embankment is of earthen type. The embankment will be 2,461 feet long and 258 feet high. The dam will have two 15-megawatt generators to produce 135.70 million kilowatt hours yearly.

PERSPECTIVES

Sunday, 11 July, 2010

Everyone counts

Today (11 July) is World Population Day. Whenever 11th July comes, global nations hold World Population Day commemorative ceremonies with the aim of understanding more about the correlation between human philosophies and developments.

The First World Population Conference was held in 1974, and 11 July 1987 was designated as World Population Day since the global population reached 5 billion on that day.

Myanmar observes World Population Day every year and that reflects its active participation in realizing the UN's aims and objectives as a member of global family.

In the future work plans of the International Conference on Population and Development held in Cairo in 1994, Myanmar included national development objectives. The government is realizing the Millennium Development Goals adopted by the conference in cooperation with WHO, UNDP and UNFPA.

Looking forward to reproductive health for all, a goal of the future work plans and Millennium Development Goals of the conference, Myanmar is earnestly working together with world nations for enabling everyone to receive information about reproductive health and services. In doing so, cooperation of local and international NGOs such as UNFPA, WHO, UNDP, UNICEF, WFP, Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation, Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association and Myanmar Medical Association is important.

Co-organized by the Ministry of Immigration and Population and UNFPA, World Population Day commemorative poster, essay, colour photo and article contests are held yearly and prizes are awarded to winners.

According to the theme of this year's World Population Day: "Everyone counts", the national people are to work together with the State in realizing the Millennium Development Goals.

Applied Java Programming to be launched



YANGON, 10 July—The Gusto computer technology training school will open Software Solution with

Java Course for computer enthusiasts and those willing to become versatile programmers abroad.

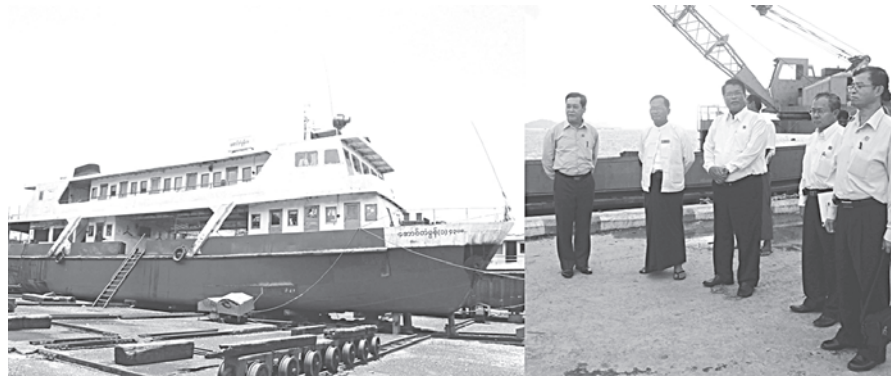
Java programming, an integral part of software industries, is taught at international universities as a main subject.

The course covers core programming techniques, generics, annotations, threading and collection. Moreover, encouragement for problem solving skills and creative skills will be

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

Minister visits ports, IWT branch in Sittway



Minister for Transport U Thein Swe views works being done at Sittway Dockyard.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 10 July—Minister for Transport U Thein Swe in company with Managing Director U Thein Htay of Myanmar Port Authority and officials, on 8 July,

visited Rakhine of Inland Water Transport Branch in Sittway.

The minister heard reports on salient points of IWT Rakhine Branch (Sittway) and capacity of Sittway Dockyard.

The minister urged personnel and staff to abide by laws and regulations of the ministry, to minimize loss, to reduce operating cost, to coordinate with other ministries and

natives, to cultivate team spirit among staff, to try to be efficient and disciplined staff, and stressed the need for safety of vessels, and convenience of travellers.—MNA

Ministry of Forestry honours outstanding students

NAY PYI TAW, 10 July—Ministry of Forestry honoured its staff's offspring who passed 2009-2010 academic year's matriculation examination with flying colours yesterday at the ministry here, with an address by Minister for Forestry U Thein Aung.

The minister awarded two six-distinction-winners with gold medal, cash and certificate of honour, heads of department and personnel nine five-distinction winners, 17 four-distinction winners and 14 three-distinction-

winners.

One of six-distinction winners spoke words of thanks and the minister posed for a documentary with heads of department, and prize winners.

MNA

Minister for Forestry U Thein Aung presents gold medal, cash award and certificate of honour to a six-distinction winning student of matriculation examination.

FORESTRY



UMFCCI meets Korean guests

YANGON, 10 July — Vice-Presidents, CEC Members and Executives of Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry met Secretary Mr. Lee Il-eui-Tae of National Agricultural Production Management Division under the Ministry for Food, Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of the Republic of Korea and party at UMFCCI Office here on 7 July.

They frankly discussed provision of information and technology assistance to Myanmar from ROK.

MNA

Explosion hits NATO convoy in eastern Afghanistan

KABUL, 10 July—An explosion tore through a NATO convoy travelling on a road in eastern Afghanistan on Saturday, officials said, the latest attack targeting international forces. There was no immediate word on casualties.

Local government spokesman Mubarez Zadran said a suicide car

bomber struck the convoy as it rolled through Khost Province's Mando Zayi District. He said foreign troops quickly cordoned off the road.

The international force confirmed the Khost explosion but spokeswoman Lt Cmdr Katie Kendrick said the convoy apparently hit a

roadside bomb. She said no casualties were immediately reported.

Militants have intensified attacks across the country as 30,000 more American troops arrive to try to turn around the 9-year-old war against the Taliban and stabilize the Afghan government.

Internet



Villagers sit amidst the rubble of their destroyed shops hit by a suicide bomb attack a day earlier, in Pakistan's northwestern Mohmand region on 10 July, 2010.—INTERNET



A US armoured vehicle burns after a suicide bomber attack in Nangahar Province on 9 July, 2010.

The suicide bomber targeted a NATO convoy in the eastern city of Jalalabad on Friday, killing one civilian and wounding nine, provincial governor spokesman Ahmadzia Abdulzai said.—INTERNET

Magnitude-5.5 earthquake hits off Guam Island

HONG KONG, 10 July—An earthquake measuring 5.5 on the Richter scale hit the sea region off the Guam Island at 0539 GMT on Saturday, the US Geological Survey said.

The epicentre, with a depth of 148 km, was initially determined to be at 13.991 degrees north latitude and 145.022 degrees east longitude, 65 km north northeast of Hagatna, Guam.

Xinhua

Australian soldier killed in Afghanistan

CANBERRA, 10 July—An Australian soldier has been killed and another seriously wounded by an improvised explosive device in Afghanistan, Australian Defence Force confirmed on Saturday.

The member of the First Mentoring Task Force was killed just before midnight (AEST) on Friday, Chief of the Defence Force Air Chief Marshal Angus Houston said on Saturday.

A second Australian soldier was wounded and he remained in a satisfactory condition.

Air Chief Marshal Houston said the dead soldier had undertaken three tours of Afghanistan in his five years with the army.

The soldiers were part of an Australian patrol conducting operations in the Chora Valley in the Uruzgan Province. The incident occurred in an area known as the green zone.

Xinhua

An amphibious craft is salvaged from the Delaware River in Philadelphia, on 9 July, 2010. An amphibious sightseeing boat that stalled in the Delaware River was knocked over by an oncoming barge Wednesday, spilling 37 people overboard and leaving two passengers unaccounted for after a frantic rescue effort.

INTERNET



Afghan forces kill suicide bomber, detain two others

KABUL, 10 July—Afghan forces killed a would-be suicide bomber and detained two others on Saturday and thus foiling attempt to storm military base in the southern Zabul Province, Defence Ministry said in a statement released here.

"Three rebels including a suicide bomber were attempted to target a base of Afghan national army in Shahjoi District at 07:00 am local time but the troops opened fire killing the suicide bomber on the spot and captured two of his comrades," the statement added.

A suicide vest, five hand grenades, two assault rifles and one rocket-propelled grenade were sized from the rebels, it said.—Xinhua

Los Angeles sees slight increase in shootings, homicides

LOS ANGELES, 10 July—Shootings and homicides increased slightly in the city of Los Angeles during the first half of the year compared to the same period last year, Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa announced on Friday.

The rise came despite a decline in the overall crime rate, the mayor said. From January through June, the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) received reports of 150 homicides, six more than last year, up 4.2 percent.

During the period, 706 shootings were reported, compared to 659 during the same period in 2009, up 7.1 percent. Gangs are blamed for 82 homicides, more than half of the total. This is unchanged from last year, but the number of shooting victims attributed to gangs rose 6.6 percent, from 485 in the first half of 2009, to 517 in 2010.—Xinhua



Duck boat, two bodies pulled from Philadelphia river

PHILADELPHIA, 10 July—A sunken tourist boat and two bodies were pulled from the Delaware River two days after a barge crashed into the boat, which crew members had stopped after seeing and smelling smoke. One body was identified as a girl who was one of two missing Hungarian tourists; identification of the second was pending.

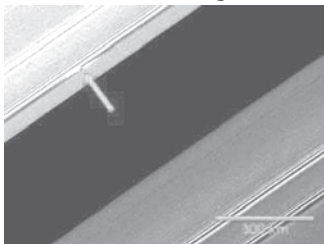
The body of 16-year-old Dora Schwendner was spotted by a crew on a fishing boat before dawn Friday about two miles downriver from the site of Wednesday's crash. The second body was retrieved later in the day, after a barge brought in to help to lift the duck boat off the river's bottom was moved.

Authorities could not immediately confirm whether the body was that of Szabolcs Prem, 20, the other missing Hungarian tourist.

The six-wheeled duck boat, carrying 35 passengers and two crew, had been stopped five to 10 minutes before the crash. Crew members told investigators they shut off the engine after white smoke that smelled like burning rubber came out of the hood.—Internet

Civil defence workers clean up the aftermath of car bomb attack in Baghdad, Iraq, on 9 July, 2010.—INTERNET

Saturn propellers reflect solar system origins



A propeller-shaped structure created by an unseen moon is brightly illuminated on the sunlit side of Saturn's rings in this image obtained by NASA's Cassini spacecraft.—INTERNET

BOULDER, 10 July—Scientists using NASA's *Cassini* spacecraft at Saturn have stalked a new class of moons in the rings of Saturn that create distinctive propeller-shaped gaps in ring material. It marks the first time scientists have

been able to track the orbits of individual objects in a debris disk. The research gives scientists an opportunity to time-travel back into the history of our solar system to reveal clues about disks around other stars in our universe that are too far away to observe directly.

Observing the motions of these disk-embedded objects provides a rare opportunity to gauge how the planets grew from, and interacted with, the disk of material surrounding the early sun," said Carolyn Porco, Cassini imaging team lead based at the Space Science Institute in Boulder, Colo., and a co-author on the paper. "It allows us a glimpse into how the solar system ended up looking the way it does."

The results are published in a new study in the 8 July, 2010, issue of the journal *Astrophysical Journal Letters*.

Internet

Face of 2,500-year-old woman recreated by New Zealand scientists

WELLINGTON, 10 July—New Zealand scientists have recreated the face of a 2,500-year-old Turkish peasant with technology they hope could be used in court in coming years.

University of Otago researchers refined procedures they had previously used on an Egyptian mummy to reconstruct the skull of the woman whose full skeleton was found during an archaeological dig in Keltepe, near the site of the ruins of the ancient merchant city of Kanesh, the *Otago Daily*

Times reported on Friday.

The project began last year when senior lecturer in anatomy and structural biology, George Dias, travelled to Turkey after the skeleton's discovery.

The site was on the cross roads of the East-West, and North-South trade routes.

The face was reconstructed with silicone skin, real hair, and eyes which have been aged with red veins. The woman is believed to have been between 35 and 50 when she died.

The most fascinating aspect of the woman was the state of her teeth, which were immaculate at a time when teeth were cleaned with sticks.

The project was completed in partnership with Anadolu University, with which Otago University has a long history of co-operation.

The team behind the reconstruction had previously used its techniques on a 2,300-year-old Egyptian mummy, which is on display at Otago's museum.

Xinhua

UNSG's message on World Population Day

11 July, 2010

This year, some 60 countries are collecting data and counting people as part of the 2010 census process. A census is the only statistical operation that covers the whole population and all areas of a country. UNFPA – the United Nations Population Fund – and other partners are supporting this massive effort in many parts of the world.

Access to good data is a component of good governance, transparency and accountability. Population data helps leaders and policy-makers to make informed decisions about policies and programmes to reduce poverty and hunger, and advance education, health and gender equality. Solid data is also needed to effectively respond to humanitarian crises.

The theme of this year's World Population Day is "Everyone counts". To be counted is to become visible. This is especially important for women and young people. Data that is sorted by gender and age can foster increased responsiveness by national decision-makers to the rights and needs of women and youth and help build a more equitable and prosperous society.

It is promising that many countries that were unable to complete a national census in the past have reported success during this current round. The next challenge will be to ensure the data is used to make evidence-based plans and policies that will improve opportunities for current and future generations.

On this World Population Day, I call on decision-makers everywhere to make each and every person count. Only by considering the needs of all women and men, girls and boys, can we achieve the Millennium Development Goals and advance the shared values of the United Nations. —UNIC

Google says China licence renewed by government



The Chinese government has been in a long-running dispute with Google.—INTERNET

BEIJING, 10 July—The Chinese government has renewed Google's licence to operate in China, the internet giant has said, ending a long-running stand-off between the two.

Google gave no details of the

licence renewal. There had been speculation China would revoke the licence after Google began redirecting Chinese users to its unfiltered search site in Hong Kong. But last month, in a conciliatory move towards Beijing, Google said it would no longer automatically redirect users. Instead, Chinese users would be sent to a "landing page", which would send them to the Hong Kong site.

"We are very pleased that the government has renewed our ICP (internet content provider) licence and we look forward to continuing to provide web search and local products to our users in China," Google's lawyer David Drummond said in an e-mailed statement.

Internet



An iPhone encrusted with 6.5 carats of top-quality diamonds has been introduced at a staggering price of 12,995 pounds. Stuart Hughes from Liverpool designed the stunning iPhone 4 Diamond Edition, which has a beautiful solid platinum and diamond Apple logo on the back.—INTERNET

Weather anomaly causes shorter dry season, damages food plants in Indonesia

JAKARTA, 10 July—Weather anomaly in Indonesia caused shorter dry season and damaged farm plants, threatening supply of certain foods.

The anomaly is caused by local, regional and global factors, Taryono, a weather forecaster in Indonesia's Meteorology, Climatology and Geophysics Agency, told *Xinhua* on Friday.

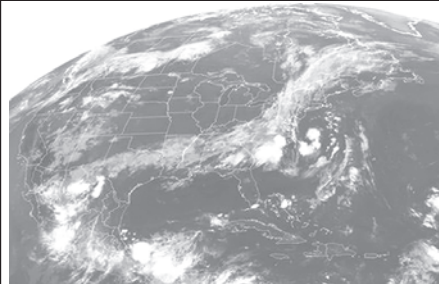
He said that normally, rainy season in Indonesia stretches from October to March.

"But, as we have irregularity in weather pattern, we will have a short dry season from mid-July to September," said Taryono.

He said that in terms of regional factor, the weather anomaly is caused by warm temperature on sea surface around Java island, triggering evaporation.

On the local factor, he said, the anomaly is caused by convective factor in which the sun radiation is still high.

Xinhua



This NOAA satellite image taken on 10 July, 2010 at 1:45 am. EDT shows a wide band of clouds that extends down the East Coast from the Northeast to the Gulf states.

INTERNET

Science

FDA review spotlights heart risk of diabetes pill

WASHINGTON, 10 July—Federal health scientists have panned a GlaxoSmithKline study that the company used to defend the safety of its embattled diabetes drug Avandia, a once blockbuster-seller that has fallen out of favor because of potential ties to heart attacks.

The Food and Drug Administration posted an exhaustive 700-page review of Avandia on Friday ahead of a meeting next week to decide whether the drug should stay on the market.

The FDA finds itself

in a difficult position that's all too familiar: reviewing a drug approved a decade ago that now appears tied to deadly side effects. Experts say the FDA's predicament is a result of shifting standards for the agency: increased scrutiny on safety and stepped-up pressure from Capitol Hill.

The FDA reviewed dozens of studies of Avandia, including one Glaxo has pointed to as proof of the drug's safety. But an FDA reviewer said the study was plagued by "serious flaws" and actually

supports the case against Avandia.

The drug works by increasing the body's sensitivity to insulin, a key protein needed for digestion that diabetics don't adequately produce.

People with diabetes are unable to properly break down carbohydrates, either because their bodies do not produce enough insulin or because of resistance to insulin. They are at higher risk for heart attacks, kidney problems, blindness and other serious complications.

Internet

Early Tamiflu might benefit transplant patients with H1N1 flu

TORONTO, 10 July — Early treatment with antiviral drugs appears to help prevent serious illness and death in organ transplant patients with H1N1 swine flu, researchers say.

Because they take immune system-suppressing drugs in order to prevent rejection of their new organs, transplant recipients may be at increased risk for flu virus infection and related complications, the authors of the new study explained in a news release about the study, which was published online 8 July in The Lancet Infectious

Diseases.

The study included 237 transplant recipients (154 adults, 83 children) in Canada, Europe and the United States who were infected with the pandemic H1N1 influenza strain A between April and December 2009. The patients had received their transplants a median of 3.6 years before being infected with H1N1 swine flu.

The researchers said that 167 patients (71 percent) were admitted to the hospital. Of these, 37 (16 percent) were sent to the intensive care unit (ICU). Among ICU

patients, 21 required mechanical ventilation. Ten of the patients (4 percent) died.

Early treatment with antiviral drugs — primarily Tamiflu (oseltamivir) — was associated with reduced rates of ICU admission (8 percent of those treated within 48 hours versus 22 percent treated after 48 hours), hospital admission, need for mechanical ventilation and death.—Internet



People look at a comic book of Anne Frank in front of the Anne Frank House Museum in Amsterdam, Netherlands, on 9 July, 2010.
INTERNET



Workers adjust Pablo Picasso's lithograph of Jacqueline Roque (L), which hangs with Andy Warhol's "Elizabeth Taylor" (C) and Edvard Munch's "Madonna", at Bonhams auction house in London 9 July, 2010.—XINHUA

French team performs face transplant with eyelids

PARIS, 10 July—A 35-year-old man with a genetic disorder has an entirely new face — including tear ducts that cry, and a chin that sprouts stubble — thanks

to a rare full-face transplant performed by a French surgeon and hailed as a new advance in improving the lives of the disfigured.

Dr Laurent Lantieri,

one of the few doctors in the world who has performed face transplants in the past, said Thursday that the patient, named Jerome, "gave me two thumbs up" after the 27 June operation at the Henri-Mondor hospital in the Paris suburb of Creteil.

"The patient is doing very well," Lantieri told *The Associated Press*. "He is very happy, but that is not the final goal for us, a pretty picture. The final goal for us is social re-insertion," or allowing the patient to reconstruct a life not haunted by a deformed face.—Internet



French surgeon Laurent Lantieri poses in his office at the Henri Mondor hospital in Creteil, south of Paris, on 8 July, 2010.

INTERNET

Health Tip: Signs that you may have Lupus

NEW YORK, 10 July — Lupus is an "autoimmune" disease that occurs when the body's disease-fighting system can't tell the difference between germs and the body's own, healthy tissue.

The National Women's Health Information Centre says here are typical warning signs of lupus:

- Pain and stiffness in the joints that may be accompanied by swelling.
- Pain in the muscles.
- Extreme fatigue.
- Fever that can't be explained.
- A skin rash, possibly one that spreads across nose and cheeks and is shaped like a butterfly.
- Anemia or kidney problems.
- Pain in the chest when breathing in deeply.
- Sensitivity to the sun or light.
- Hair falling out

Internet

Childhood obesity boosts risk of GERD

PASADENA, 10 July— Obese older children are at increased risk for developing the painful digestive disease known as gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD), researchers from Kaiser Permanente in California report.

In fact, extremely obese children have up to a 40 percent higher risk of GERD, while those who are moderately obese have up to a 30 percent higher risk of developing it, compared with normal weight children, researchers say.

"Although we know that childhood obesity, especially extreme obesity, comes with risks for serious health

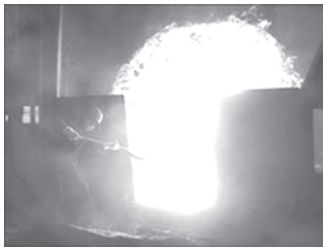
conditions, such as diabetes, cardiovascular disease and cancer, our study adds yet another condition to the list, which is GERD," said study lead author Corinna Koebnick, a research scientist at Kaiser Permanente Southern California's Department of Research and Evaluation in Pasadena.

While the causes of the chronic digestive disease are not known, obesity appears to be one of them, she noted. "With the increasing epidemic of childhood obesity, GERD may become more and more of an issue," she added.

Internet

Health

China sees surge in trade surplus



Steel was one of the strongest export sectors in June.

INTERNET

SHANGHAI, 10 July—China has recorded a fresh surge in its trade surplus and exports, beating market expectations.

Exports for June were up 43.9% on the same month last year, while the \$20bn (£13.2bn) trade surplus was the largest this year.

Analysts said the negative effect of the European debt crisis had not been as bad as feared.

The results are the first since China last month allowed its yuan currency to trade more freely against the dollar.

Western politicians have argued that the yuan is undervalued, giving China an unfair trading advantage.

The trade surplus and export figures both beat market expectations.

Exports were worth \$137.4bn in June, up 43.9% on June 2009, while import growth was around expectations at 34.1%.

Liu Nenghua, an economist with Bank of Communications in Shanghai, told *Reuters*: “Exports were better than expected because the negative impact from the European debt crisis was not as serious as the market had feared.”

There have been expectations of a slowdown of growth in China and analysts believe that will still happen, although not as sharply as originally feared.

Internet

S&P 500 profits likely climbed 27%, but outlooks key

SHANGHAI, 10 July—With such easy comparisons from a year ago, don’t expect much drama from the second-quarter earnings that start rolling out this week.

Instead all eyes will be on the guidance for the rest of the year.

“Everyone knows it’s going to be a big quarter,” said Alec Young, equities strategist with S&P. “Given all the macroeconomic uncertainty out there, the question is now ‘is it sustainable?’”

Aluminum giant Alcoa (NYSE:AA - News) may offer the first clues when it kicks off

earnings season late Monday. Other industry bellwethers follow this week. Intel (NMS:INTC) and Yum Brands (NYSE:YUM - News) report Tuesday with Google (NMS:GOOG) and JPMorgan (NYSE:JPM - News) out Thursday. Bank of America (NYSE:BAC - News), Citigroup (NYSE:C - News) and GE (NYSE:GE - News) are due Friday.

Wall Street expects a 27% profit gain from S&P 500 companies, according to *Thomson Reuters*. That’s up from the 22.7% projected on 1 April, as pre-

announcements have generally been decent. Continued cost-cutting helped bottom lines again in Q2, analysts say. But they also expect a 9% climb in revenue.

Materials firms should enjoy the biggest profit gain, up 91% from a year ago, led by steel makers and diversified chemical firms. Energy profits likely surged nearly 72%. Both sectors reflect strong prices and demand. The tech sector (56.5% growth) and consumer discretionary firms (48.1%) also should be strong.

Internet

SEC pushes tighter market-making rules

NEW YORK, 10 July—Securities regulators are moving quickly to tighten rules for market makers to ensure there is liquidity during stressful times and avoid a repetition of May’s brief market crash, said sources familiar with the discussions.

The US Securities and Exchange Commission and big exchanges are considering eliminating so-called stub quotes, or orders placed by market makers that tend to be well off the market price, four sources said.

The SEC and the

exchanges are also eyeing minimum obligations for market-making firms that would force them to submit quotes that are less than 10 percent away from a stock’s current price, the sources said.

One of the sources said a rule proposal could come within weeks. Another source said the SEC is trying to firm up the market-making rules before it must start crafting dozens of new rules prescribed by financial reform legislation.

The sources requested anonymity because the talks are continuing.—*Internet*



Traders work on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange in New York, on 30 June, 2010.—INTERNET

FDIC says regulators closed 90th bank of year

WASHINGTON, 10 July—US regulators on Friday closed Home National Bank in Oklahoma and USA Bank in New York the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp said.

Ninety banks have failed so far this year, it said.

The FDIC said Home National Bank of Claremore, Oklahoma, had \$645 million in assets and USA Bank of Port Chester, New York, had \$193 million in assets.

New Century Bank of Phoenixville, Pennsylvania, will assume the deposits of USA Bank. RCB Bank of Claremore, Oklahoma, will assume the deposits of Home National Bank.

The Oklahoma bank

failure is expected to cost the FDIC’s insurance fund \$79 million, while the New York failure is expected to cost it \$62 million.

Internet

Economists see US recovery weakening

WASHINGTON, 10 July—The US economy will lose steam as the year progresses but will not slide back into recession, even though unemployment is unlikely to fall significantly, according to a survey released on Saturday.

The Blue Chip Economic Indicators survey of private forecasters found analysts increasingly glum about the outlook. They now see the economy expanding just 3.1 percent in 2010, down from 3.3 percent in the June poll.

They do not, however, envisage a renewed period of contraction, which has been widely debated in financial markets in recent weeks.

“Our panelists think talk of a double-dip recession is overblown absent a new, major shock,” the group said in its report.

Some analysts worry such a disruption might come from Europe, where concerns about high debt levels have made the banking sector jittery about lending.

Internet



Saudi Arabia’s Minister of Oil and Mineral Resources Ali al-Nuaimi attends the Arab Energy Conference in Doha on 9 May. Saudi newspaper Okaz has reported that the country is investigating a smuggling operation that illegally exported discount-priced oil to Europe for more than 11 years.

INTERNET

Business



Passers-by walk past a Toyota Motor flag near the company’s showroom in Tokyo on 4 July, 2010.

INTERNET

Russian skipper says sub could stop leak



The Q4000 drilling rig burns off oil and gas at the site of the BP Deepwater Horizon spill in the Gulf of Mexico on 3 July, 2010. BP is burning oil and gas as it drills a relief well intended to stop the gusher.—INTERNET

VENICE, 10 July—The captain of a Russian sub says his submersible could cap the oil leak in the Gulf of Mexico. Friday there still was time for the Russian sub and its

twin to help in the gulf, where oil has been leaking since 20 April, when the Transocean Deepwater Horizon rig leased by BP exploded, then sank two days later. Eleven rig workers died in the explosion.

Chernyaev said that his team has discussed the oil spill on several occasions and the Russians would be ready to assist, but only if things were done right and the decision to ask for help came from the government level. He said the pair of the subs were probably the only deep-sea vessels in the world capable of stopping the leak.

Internet

Knock-off Bird's Nest under way in Shanxi

BEIJING, 10 July—People in North China's Shanxi Province, who have not had the chance to visit the Bird's Nest, do not need to travel all the way to the national capital to get a glimpse of the Olympic marvel.

A knock-off of Beijing's National Stadium is now under construction in a county located southwest of the province.

With an investment of 100 million yuan (\$14.8 million), Puxian county is building a cultural palace designed to look like the original Bird's Nest, which is well known as the symbol of the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games.



A man takes photos of the copycat Bird's Nest in Puxian county of Shanxi Province.

XINHUA

Shanxi natives are calling it the "fake Bird's Nest".

However, the construction has triggered great dissatisfaction from the public, which feels the county, with a population of 100,000, is wasting its annual fiscal revenue of 300

million yuan on the project.

According to *Beijing Times*, Puxian had to borrow 80 million yuan from a local coal enterprise to pay government employees their salaries in 2007.

Xinhua

Honduras extends alert for heavy rains

TEGUCIGALPA, 10 July—Honduras declared a green alert on Friday in the departments of Gracias a Dios, Olancho, El Paraiso and Choluteca as rains will continue to the weekend.

Juan Jose Reyes, the country's early warning director, told the *national press* that the tropical wave could be out of the country during night hours and many rivers in the eastern part of the country were expected to see increased water flows. The green alert will last for 36 hours. "It's very possible that the green alert is going to be expanded, or increase its level according to further analysis," Reyes said. (However, this weekend is expected to enter two new tropical waves and a greater amount of rain is expected).

Meanwhile, the country issued a warning about possible landslides as the saturation level has reached a "restricted area."—Xinhua

Flooding in Mexico causes highway closure, raises dengue risk

MEXICO CITY, 10 July—Authorities in the northern Mexican state of Nuevo Leon on Friday ordered the closure of the highways linking state capital Monterrey to Laredo in the US state Texas due to flooding.

The flooding came a day after the region was struck by a mild tropical storm after it was stuck by Hurricane Alex more than a week ago. Some 8,000 people from the states of Tamaulipas, Nuevo Leon and Coahuila were evacuated on Wednesday. The hurricane has so far claimed 27 lives in the country. The flooding has also increased the danger of a major dengue fever outbreak, Miguel Angel Lezama Fernandez, who leads the nation's National Prevention Programmes and Disease Control Centre, told media on Friday.

Xinhua



A group of high school students from Arizona of the United States learn the ceramics-making skill at the Ceramics Town of Yixing City, east China's Jiangsu Province, on 8 July, 2010. Yixing city, enjoying the fame as "ceramics capital", has been one of China's major ceramics producers for 2,000 years.—XINHUA

Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam to jointly develop triangle area

PHNOM PENH, 10 July—Parliaments of Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam have signed an approval for the three countries to jointly develop a triangle area.

According to the joint statement released on Friday after the parliaments meeting which took place on 7-8 July in Kratie Province, one of the Cambodia's provinces located in the triangle development, the agreement allows having a joint-controlled border point, meetings of all the three parties from the provinces concerned, a set up of a joint website with English language as an international language and the national languages of three nations.

It is for the first time that Cambodia hosted such a meeting and in the area of the triangle development where located 320 kilometres northeast of Phnom Penh. The triangle area is referred to Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam where are trans-bordering.

The triangle development area covers four provinces in Cambodia: Rattanakiri, Stung Treng, Monduliri and Kratie, with three provinces in Laos and four provinces in Vietnam.

It is the annual meeting and Vietnam hosted the meeting last year. According to the joint statement, the main aim of the meeting is to discuss the roles of parliaments on how to help promote triangle development plan among the three countries.

Xinhua

'Tired, over-worked' UEFA boss Platini hospitalized

JOHANNESBURG, 10 July—French football legend Michel Platini was rushed to hospital in South Africa but medical checks showed no signs of a heart attack, football governing body FIFA said.

Platini, 55, president of European football's governing body UEFA since January 2007, complained of feeling unwell while having dinner at Johann-esburg's Le Pigalle restaurant in the Sandton business District.

"He was tired and over-worked. He also has the flu," said close Platini aide William Gaillard. "I

have telephoned his secretary, who tells me that he is fine."

"Michel Platini fell ill tonight after developing flu symptoms for the past days. He was hospitalized for tests," FIFA said.

"There are no signs of a heart attack. Mr Platini will remain under observation as a precaution," it added.

"He fell ill while he was seated at table number four," said Le Pigalle waiter Joshua Alexander. "We called a doctor and he was taken to the hosp-ital." Alexander said Platini had eaten several times

at the restaurant. According to witnesses, a restaurant client gave Platini cardiac massage before a doctor arrived.

Platini, who has been in South Africa since the start of the World Cup on 11 June, was taken to the Morningside medi-clinic, its spokeswoman Natalie Jackson said.—Internet

Journalists wait in front of the Morningside medi-clinic where UEFA president Michel Platini was hospitalized in Johannesburg. Platini complained of feeling unwell while having dinner at a Johannesburg restaurant, but medical checks showed no signs of a heart attack, football governing body FIFA said.—INTERNET



Local farmers urged to grow quality...

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Accompanied by Chairman of Mandalay Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Central Command Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe, the ministers, the deputy ministers and departmental heads, the Prime Minister arrived at 230-acre Ngwechi-6 long staple cotton planta-

tion for cultivation of monsoon paddy in the irrigated area of the left canal of Kinda Dam.

At the pre-monsoon Ngwechi-6 long staple cotton model plot of farmer U Aung Win in Pyaesonegon Village in Wundwin Township, the Prime Minister met cotton growers and asked about production of cotton. Afterwards, he stressed the need to produce quality cotton, gathering quality cotton and efforts to be made for meeting target production.

The Prime Minister inspected thriving pre-

monsoon Ngwechi-6 long staple cotton plantation of farmer U Aung Win.

At the paddy field of farmer U Aye Lwin in YemaU field in Hanmyintmo Village of Kyaukse Township, the Prime Minister viewed nurturing of monsoon paddy with the use of plastic sieve net. Division Manager of Myanmar Agriculture Service U Kyaw Thein conducted him around the paddy field.

On arrival at Myogyi Multi-purpose Dam Project near Myogyi Village of Ywangan Township, Shan State



Prime Minister U Thein Sein views harvesting of paddy in irrigated area of left canal of Kinda Dam.—MNA

tion at No. 111 field in Wetlet Village-tract in Pyawbwe Township.

After asking about cultivation of crops, the Prime Minister said that as the government has managed for cultivation of high yield Ngwechi-6 cotton strains, the local farmers are to grow cottons through correct cultivation method and produce quality cotton, and they have to uplift their living standard by saving money systematically.

The Prime Minister inspected growing of pre-monsoon Ngwechi-6 long staple cotton and making of natural fertilizer with the use of earthworms.

At the field of U Win Nyunt in Kyathaygan Village of Pyawbwe Township, the Prime Minister asked about cultivation and production of paddy.

In addition, the Prime Minister instructed them to utilize the inputs for increasing paddy per acre yield and use paddy harvester for minimizing loss and wastage, encourage the children to pursue education for uplifting their livelihoods and for ensuring development of the region and provide the books and periodicals to the rural libraries including books and journals on agriculture and livestock breeding.

The Prime Minister looked into dredging drains among the paddy fields with the use small excavators, harvesting paddy with farm machinery and ground works



Prime Minister U Thein Sein meets farmers at Wetlet Village-tract in Pyawbwe Township.

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Monsoon paddy seedlings being nurtured at YemaU field of farmer U Aye Lwin with the use of plastic sieve net in Hanmyintmo Village of Kyaukse Township.—MNA

(South), the Prime Minister heard reports on location of the project, annual average rainfall and inflow of water to the dam, storage capacity of the dam at full brim, type of embankment, water diversion tunnel, diversion weir, generating capacity of turbines and annual generating of hydropower, progress of the project and greening tasks in Meiktila Plain presented by Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo.

The Prime Minister attended to the needs.

After viewing the small scale of the project, the Prime Minister looked into progress of implementing the project. The Prime Minister inspected construction of the main embankment and the tunnel for generating hydropower.

Myogyi Multi-purpose Dam Project is located near Myogyi Village of Ywangan Township. Its embankment is of earthen type. The embankment will be 2461 feet long and 258 feet high. The dam will have two 15-megawatt generators to produce 135.70 million kilowatt hours yearly.

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Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung reported on the purpose of establishment of the factory, capacity of machines, availability of power and fuel, production of goods, plans to produce more items, sales of products and requirement of raw materials.

The Prime Minister stressed the need to super-

(Ingon) near Ingon Village, the Prime Minister viewed power-tillers displayed at the briefing hall.

Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo reported on facts about the factory and manufacturing of farming equipment by factories.

Director-General U Win Maw of Agricultural Mechanization Depart-

manufacturing of machines and machinery.

In Factories Region (Kyaukse), the Prime Minister heard reports on renovation of Cement Plant (Kyaukse) by Minister U Aung Thaung. At the briefing hall, the minister presented a report on facts about the factories in Factories Region (Kyaukse).

Managing Director U Soe Yi of Myanmar Ceramics Industries reported to the Prime Minister on

Prime Minister U Thein Sein views progress of Myogyi Multi-purpose Dam Project.—MNA



Local farmers urged...

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At Myanmar Pharmaceutical Factory

(Inyaung) of Myanmar Pharmaceutical Industries near Inyaung Village of

Kyaukse Township, the Prime Minister looked into production of disposable syringe and intravenous injection.



Prime Minister U Thein Sein visits Myanmar Agricultural Equipment Factory (Ingon).—MNA

vised production of quality products and drugs for the customers through the best packaging system.

The factory is manufacturing 3ml, 5ml, and 20ml disposable syringes, five types of essential drug infusion intravenous injections and other 16 injections. Plans are under way to produce dextrose 10% infusion and streptomycin injection and cefotaxime.

At Myanmar Agricultural Equipment Factory

ment submitted reports on upgrading and maintaining the farming implements, manufacturing of new items of farming equipment for domestic use and spare parts. In his instructions, the Prime Minister said that it is necessary to use paddy harvester for minimizing loss and wastage and organize the local farmers for use of farming equipment.

At the factory, the Prime Minister viewed

availability of power and natural gas for the cement plant, production cost for one bag of cement and maintenance work. After hearing the reports, the Prime Minister attended to the needs.

He viewed Float Glass Factory Project and production of quartzite from Yinswe Hill.

Later, the Prime Minister and party left there by car and arrived in Mandalay in the evening.

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Myanmar Pharmaceutical Factory (Inyaung) is manufacturing 3ml, 5ml, and 20ml disposable syringes, five types of essential drug infusion intravenous injections and other 16 injections.

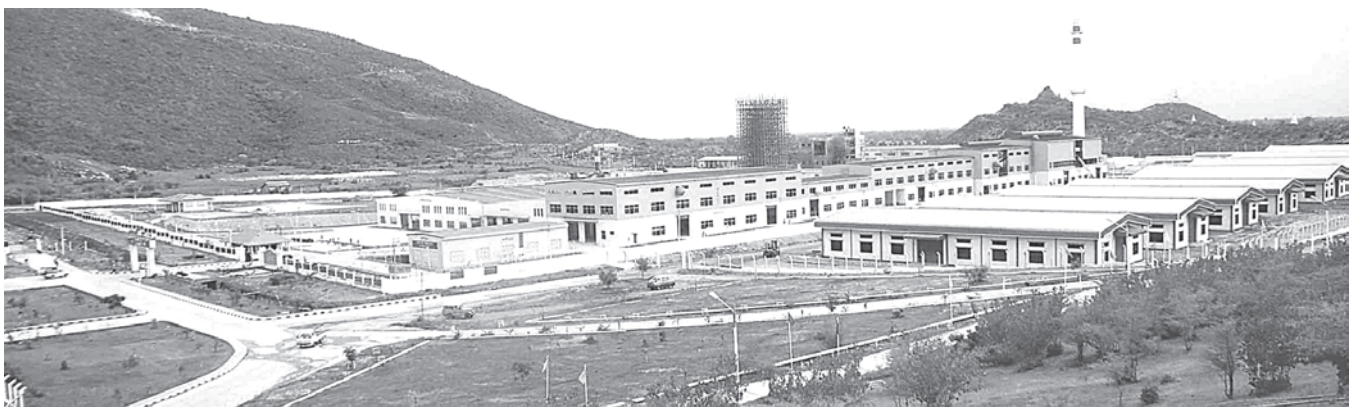


Photo shows Float Glass Factory project in Factories Region (Kyaukse).—MNA

Lt-Gen Tha Aye of Ministry of Defence views collective ploughing for cultivation of monsoon paddy in Motlwe Village-tract in Waingmaw Township.

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Lt-Gen Tha Aye oversees...

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He then visited the private plantation of perennial rubber and other perennial crops, gave necessary instructions and viewed the thriving rubber plantation.

On arrival at Dawphonyan Township People's Hospital (16-bed), Lt-Gen Tha Aye and party were reported by the doctor in charge on condition of medical treatment. Lt-Gen Tha Aye made cash donations for the funds of the hospital. He then visited the women's domestic training school. After hearing a report on conducting of domestic training courses, Lt-Gen Tha Aye gave necessary instructions and viewed the works of the trainees. At the briefing hall of Myitkyina-Bhamo road and bridge project, the manager reported to Lt-Gen Tha Aye on construction and repairing of roads and bridges.

Lt-Gen Tha Aye and party then attended a collec-

tive ploughing ceremony in Momauk Township and left necessary instructions. On arrival at University of Computer Studies (Bhamo), Lt-Gen Tha Aye was reported by the principal on progress in construction of the main three-storey building. He then visited Bhamo University and looked round the university.

On arrival at Bhamo women's domestic training school this morning, Lt-Gen Tha Aye heard a report on conducting of courses and viewed the trainees' learning of tailoring. Next, he attended and addressed a work coordination meeting on agriculture. Then he also visited Bhamo Township Hospital (200-bed). The medical superintendent and officials reported on plans for construction of the operation theatre. Lt-Gen Tha Aye gave them necessary instructions.

In meeting with officers and other ranks and their families at Bhamo Station, Lt-Gen Tha Aye gave necessary instructions and presented gifts to them. He then inspected development of Bhamo by car.

On arrival at the briefing hall of Bhamo sub-power plant in Hanhe village, Lt-Gen Tha Aye heard reports by officials on progress in construction of the sub-power plant, gave necessary instructions and inspected construction tasks.

After that, he went to the worksite of Manwai-Mansi-Bhamo road section, gave instructions and viewed maintenance tasks and arrangements for monsoon paddy cultivation.

On arrival at Ayeyawady Bridge (Sinkhan), Lt-Gen Tha Aye heard a report on construction tasks and left necessary instructions.

Later, Lt-Gen Tha Aye inspected maintenance of Mandalay-Tagaung-Bhamo road, developing villages on both sides of the road and road conditions. He then visited the site for construction of Thayagon-Udaung Taung road and left necessary instructions there.

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English Language Proficiency Course of Ministry of Religious Affairs concludes

NAY PYI TAW, 10 July—English Language Proficiency Course No. 2 for staff officers of Ministry of Religious Affairs was concluded at the ministry, here, this afternoon, attended by Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung, Deputy Minister Thura U Aung Ko, directors-general of departments under the ministry, personnel, trainee

staff officers and staff.

Having spoken on the occasion, the minister awarded the first, second and third prize winners and presented certificates to the leader of the trainees.

A total of 36 trainees attended the four-week course.—MNA



Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung speaking at concluding ceremony of English Language Proficiency Course No. 2 for Officers.

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Trainees invited to DA (Part-I)

YANGON, 10 July—The Auditor-General's Office will open the Diploma in Accounting Course (Part-I) at its training school at No. 1/19 on Thakhin Mya Park Road in Ahlon Township starting February 2011.

Each part of the course will last one year. Any graduate may submit application to attend the course.

Interested persons will submit application at the training school with K 2000 for entrance examination fee from 20 July to 27 August 2010. The examination will be held on 19 September and the results announced by 1 December.

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EP No. 2 Minister receives Chinese guests

NAY PYI TAW, 10 July—U Khin Maung Myint, Minister for Electric Power No. 2, received General Manager Mr. Liu Qiao Song of Nanjing Daji Steel Tower Manufacturing Co Ltd of the People's Republic of China at the ministry, here, on 8 July.

They focused on production of pylons.

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Future tycoons to face for first fight on 31 July

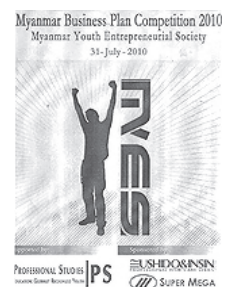
YANGON, 10 July—Under the theme "Be a Pioneer, Be a Professional", Myanmar Youth Entrepreneurial Society (MYES) and PS Business School has scheduled to hold the first Myanmar Business Plan Competition MBPC (2010) at Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry Office on 31 July.

Youths at the ages between 18 and 24 are invited to join the competition mainly sponsored by EUSHIDO @ INSIN and Super Mega. aof two to four competitors will be judged on strategic and creative marketing, understanding the nature of business, teamwork and pres-

entation skills. Entry fee for each team is Ks 10,000 and it will return back if the group misses the chance to take part in the competition.

Those loved the challenge may contact the PS Business School at Myaynigon Plaza here (Ph: 524482 and 500533).

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FAA orders safety checks on cockpit windows

WASHINGTON, 10 July—US airlines were ordered on Friday to inspect or replace cockpit windows on more than 1,200 workhorse Boeing Co jetliners to prevent possible cracking or fire due to loose wires in an electrical anti-icing system. The Federal Aviation Administration

(FAA) directive covers 757, 767, and 777 aircraft flown by most major airlines. The agency plans to propose a similar order for 747 jumbo jets in coming months since its windows are similar.

The directive is aimed at preventing cracking, smoke or fire from wires embedded in glass layers

of the front cockpit windows. Side windows are not included.

There have been 11 reports of fire or flames over the past 20 years on the three Boeing models due to suspected loose screws or screws that were improperly tightened or threaded, the FAA said.

Internet

Brazil launches campaign to promote tourism for 2014 World Cup

RIO DE JANEIRO, 10 July—Brazil's Tourism Ministry launched a campaign in Johannesburg, South Africa, Friday to promote Brazil as a tourist destination in preparation for Brazil's hosting of the 2014 FIFA World Cup.

The campaign is called "O Brasil te chama, celebre a vida aqui" (Brazil calls you,

celebrate life here). During the launching ceremony of the campaign, two short films directed by Brazilian director Fernando Meirelles were shown.

One of films, "Apito" (Whistle), will be aired Sunday worldwide just after the World Cup final. The other will be made available on the internet

Monday.

Tourism Minister Luiz Barretto said that one billion reais (568 million US dollars) will be invested in the tourism sector in the following years. Another 400 million reais (227 million dollars) will be financed through the Development Bank's loans to each of the host cities to build or renovate stadiums.—Xinhua

New library for life-long learning



At the new Pudong New Area Library, all archives are available to users who can sit and read comfortably in an open environment.

XINHUA

BEIJING, 10 July—The new state-of-the-art Pudong New Area Library is open. It is the ideal place for citizens to enjoy cultural leisure, spiritual pleasure and life-long learning, says the library's director Zhang Wei. The six-story comprehensive library, now in a soft opening, will officially open in October. All the services provided by the old library on Yingchun

Road will be transferred to the new one, except for the one-card book-lending and return service. The library on Qiancheng Road in the Pudong Cultural Park covers more than 60,000 square meters, has a collection of more than 2 million volumes and a seating capacity of 3,000, five times that of the old library.

Xinhua

Russia pledges help for children of convicted spies

Moscow, 10 July—Russian diplomatic missions abroad will help the children of the Russian citizens convicted of spying in the United States return to their parents, the RIA Novosti news agency reported Friday.

"Russian diplomatic missions abroad will provide what assistance they can in resolving issues related to the return of the children of Russian citizens, accused in the US of espionage," the Foreign Ministry said. Earlier, the US said it would not create obstacles to the return of the children to their parents in Russia.

Among the accused, there are four married couples with a total of seven children.—Xinhua

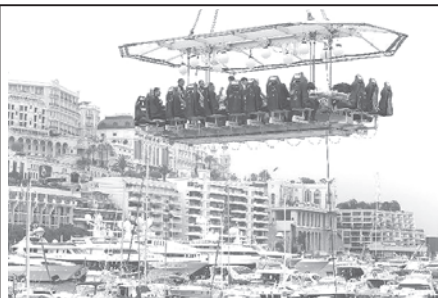
Man plans world's largest hush puppy

A worker at a Florida seafood restaurant said he wants to create a new world record category by cooking the world's largest hush puppy. Taylor Shaw, a recent Fine Arts graduate from Mississippi State University and a 7-year employee of Dewey Destin Seafood Restaurant & Market in Destin, said he and co-workers created a 2.25 pound hush puppy as a "trial run" and they are now aiming to make one large enough to feed dozens of people, the *Northwest Florida Daily News* reported Friday.



A chocolate replica of Incan citadel Machu Picchu, made out of 250 pounds of Peruvian cocoa, during a chocolate convention in Lima 9 July, 2010. The three-day exhibition, which drew distributors from Latin America and chocolate sommeliers from Europe, featured organic dark chocolate candy bars, chocolate sushi and Machu Picchu sculptures carved out of the sweet stuff.

News Album



Guests have dinner at an event known as "Dinner in the Sky" as they are seated around a table lifted by a crane in the harbour of Monaco, 9 July, 2010.

Nearly an "octa-goat"

A woman surnamed Song displays a seven-legged baby goat born recently in Jiaoliuhe township, Taonan, Jilin Province.

"It was very difficult for the goat to deliver the kid, so I used my hand to pull out. It scared me!" said Song. "It is the first time I've seen anything like this in 13 years." The lamb's four legs support its body, and it eats a lot, she said. However, a local biologist Li Chunsheng said the kid's chances of long term survival are slim.



Kitten survives China-Canada shipping

Workers at a Canadian import business said a cat was trapped in a container shipped from China for as many as 45 days.

Amy Bindman, an interior designer at Calgary, Alberta, import business ICON Stone and Tile, said the calico cat survived the journey from China, which she said takes an average 30 to 45 days, in a steel shipping container loaded with granite slabs

and wood bracing, the *Calgary Herald* reported Friday.

Bindman said the animal was "pretty distressed and very, very thin." She said it also appeared the feline "had been meowing for weeks." "We had to empty the entire container before being able to reach the cat, because (she) jumped and hid in a corner that was unreachable," Bindman said.

More than 1000 Chinese juggle footballs for new Guinness world record

A total of 1062 people juggled footballs for 10 seconds together to refresh the Guinness World Record here on Saturday.

After the lengthy breathless 10 seconds, greffier from Guinness World Record, Wu Xiaohong, declared that the 1062 people refreshed the record.

Among the 1062, 14-year-old schoolchild Song Zixin is the youngest and he once juggled football 303 times uninterruptedly, while the oldest one is 70-year-old Zhao Chengfang, who has played football for more than 20 years after his retirement.

"It is great that we can refresh the record, but the more important thing is we can gather here and do something we love and enjoy the happiness together," said Zhao.

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV RATHA BHUM VOY NO (524)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV RATHA BHUM VOY NO (524) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 11.7.2010 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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Teenagers 'risk premature babies'

LONDON, 10 July—Pregnant teenagers are more likely to give birth prematurely and have a small baby than women in their 20s, says an Irish research team.

Fourteen to 17-year-olds were also more likely to give birth early if they were having a second child, a study of

more than 50,000 women in England found.

The findings, reported in *BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth*, highlighted the importance of routine medical checks.

The team said more studies were needed to find out why the young were at risk.

The study included all women aged between 14 and 29 who had given birth in north-west England over a two-year period.

In all, 3,600 of those were aged between 14 and 17, the researchers said.

More than a third of them came from the most socially deprived areas.

The study also found teenage mothers were also more likely to be underweight.

Internet



More than 40,000 under-18s conceived.—INTERNET

Bus accident kills 5, injures 21 in Bolivia

LA PAZ, 10 July—At least five people died and 21 others were injured when a bus fell into a cliff of 20-meter depth on Friday in Challamyu town, Bolivia, the Police said.

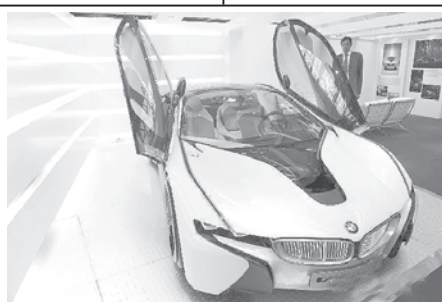
The bus from the Illimani company left on Thursday night from La Paz to the city of Potosi. It had the accident just 70 kilometers far from Potosi, capital of Potosi department.

The accident occurred at 2:30 am local time (0630 GMT) and the company said it will cover the hospital expenses of the injured, as it has an insurance for accidents.

The injured were taken to Daniel Bracamonte Hospital and the Health Center of Potosi city.

According to the preliminary reports, the accident was due to speeding. Last month, at least 50 people have died in traffic accidents in the country, mainly in the west of the country.

Xinhua



BMW new Vision Efficient Dynamics concept car is unveiled for the first time at the Atrium of International Finance Center in Hong Kong, south China, 9 July, 2010.

XINHUA

11 killed in two traffic accidents in Turkey

ANKARA, 10 July—Eleven people were killed in two traffic accidents in northwest and southeast Turkey on Saturday, the semi-official Anatolia news agency reported.

A car collided with a truck in Harmancil town of Bursa Province in northwest Turkey, killing seven people including three children, the report said, adding that Harmancil-Bursa highway was closed to traffic for two hours.

In another accident, four people were killed and one was injured when a truck hit a tanker on Nusaybin-Cizre highway in Nusaybin town of Mardin Province in southeast Turkey, *Anatolia* reported.

Xinhua

EADS submits new bid for USAF refuelling contract

LONDON, 10 July—The European defence contractor, EADS, has submitted a new bid to supply refuelling aircraft for the US Air Force.

Arch-rival Boeing's bid is expected to be delivered to the Pentagon soon.

The contract, which has been long delayed, is worth \$35bn (£23bn).

Earlier, a long-running World Trade Organization (WTO) investigation into whether Boeing receives illegal subsidies from the US government postponed its decision on the matter.

Both the US and the European Union have reported each other's companies to the WTO, alleging illegal subsidies.

Internet

Terror suspect Abid Naseer held on US warrant

LONDON, 10 July—The alleged leader of an al-Qaeda plot to bomb British and US targets, who won the right to stay in the UK, has been remanded in custody.

Abid Naseer appeared in court on Wednesday after the United States issued a warrant for his arrest.

The US Justice Department has linked a failed plot to bomb the New York subway to the alleged UK conspiracy.

The hearing was adjourned until 14 July to allow Mr Naseer to consult lawyers over a possible bail application.

A Home Office spokeswoman said a full extradition request must be received and submitted to court within 65 days.

Another hearing was set for 8 September, when a judge will decide if Mr

Naseer, 24, can be extradited. Home Secretary Theresa May will have the final say.—Internet



The US authorities want Mr Naseer to face trial.—INTERNET

HPV may boost skin cancer risk

HANOVER, 10 July—Human papillomaviruses may be linked to an increased risk of developing some skin cancers, US researchers said.

The study, published in the *British Medical Journal*, also found the risk of skin cancers may worsened if the people are taking immunosuppression drugs.

Professor Margaret Karagas of the Dartmouth Medical School said HPV infection — there are more than 100 types — and other types of HPVs are known to cause cancers of the cervix, vulva, vagina, anus and penis.

The researchers studied 2,366 people living in New Hampshire — 663 people with squamous cell carcinoma, 898 people with basal cell carcinoma and 805 healthy controls.

As well as interviewing the study participants, the researchers measured HPV antibodies in blood samples of newly diagnosed and confirmed basal cell and squamous cell carcinoma patients.—Internet

Hot weather prompts Met Office heatwave health alert

LONDON, 10 July—The first weather health alert of the summer has been issued as temperatures are set to soar in parts of the UK.

Peaks of 31C (87.8F) across East Anglia and south-east England are expected on Friday and Saturday.

The Met Office said the main risk to health would come from stifling night-time temperatures of at least 20C (68F) in some places. "It is the night-time values which are of real concern," said head of health forecasting Wayne Elliott. "High humidity and the lack of any breeze could make matters worse for people with underlying health problems."—Internet

Poles to extradite Israeli 'linked to Dubai murder'

LONDON, 10 July—A Polish court has ruled that an alleged Israeli Mossad agent can be extradited to Germany.

Uri Brodsky is suspected of helping to forge a German passport used in connection with the murder of a Hamas operative in Dubai.

Mr Brodsky, an Israeli citizen, was detained in Poland in June on an arrest warrant issued by Germany.

Mahmoud al-Mabhouh, one of the founders of Hamas's military wing, was found dead in a Dubai hotel on 20 January.

Dubai police have said they are 99% sure that members of the Israeli intelligence agency Mossad were involved, although Israel says there is no proof.

"The court has decided



Brodsky (right) was brought to court under heavy security.

INTERNET

to hand over Uri Brodsky to German authorities for judicial procedures there," Judge Tomasz Talkiewicz said, following the closed hearing at Warsaw regional court.

"The court did not decide whether Brodsky committed the crime for which he is under investigation, the court only checked whether the extradition request fulfils the formal requirements and whether the suspect is correctly identified," he added.—Internet

Top Hong Kong actress confirms return



Cecilia Cheung at CJ7: The Cartoon's premiere.—XINHUA

BEIJING, 10 July—Once considered the best Hong Kong actress of her generation, Cecilia Cheung has confirmed her return to the acting arena after suspending her career for four years due to marriage and childbirth.

Performing the theme song for summer film CJ7: The Cartoon and announcing a future role in Hong Kong director Yee Tung-shing's new project, the 30-year-old actress is set to take the industry on in full stride, with a lighter look at life.

Talking about her future plans Tuesday at the premiere of CJ7: The Cartoon, the once ambitious and rebellious young woman had a mature air about her when she told the *Global Times* that there is hardly anything more that she could ask for now. "I do not think that much about my career future and detailed plans. I will go naturally with anything that my destiny arranges to happen."

Xinhua

Poster unveiled for Faye Wong's concert comeback



The poster for Faye Wong's upcoming concert. XINHUA

BEIJING, 10 July — The poster and ticket prices for pop diva Faye Wong's series of concerts in Beijing and Shanghai to mark her return to show

business were released Friday.

The most expensive ticket for the concert is priced at 2,500 yuan (US\$369).

The first Beijing shows are scheduled for 29, 30 and 31 October, while two others will be held on 5 and 6 November at Wukesong Stadium in the western part of the capital. Wong will perform concerts on 19, 20, 26 and 28 November in Shanghai.

Wong is busy preparing for the concerts during which she will perform most of her famous hits such as "Red Bean," "I'm Willing" and "Legend."

Xinhua

Global cartoon and games expo



Ronnie Carmen, story supervisor of the Oscar-winning animated feature "Up" (above) will attend the forum of the 2010 CCG Expo. XINHUA

BEIJING, 10 July—Lovers of comics, cartoons and animation can dive into a large

international animation and game exhibition that kicked off yesterday at the Shanghai Exhibition Centre.

More than 200 animation exhibitors from around the world took their latest creations to the 2010 CCG Expo — cartoons, comics and games—running through Mon-day. Organizers expect more than 200,000 cartoon fans and professionals in the animation industry.

Xinhua

Jia Hongsheng departs to chase his dream

BEIJING, 10 July—The eventful life of Jia Hongsheng, an actor who shot to fame in the early 1990s but struggled to overcome drug addiction, has ended in a dramatic way.

At 6 pm, on 5 July, the 43-year-old actor jumped out of the window of a 14th-floor apartment in northern Beijing, where he lived with his parents.

Jia left no final words, but his

monologue in the 2001 movie, *Quitting* (Zuotian) chronicles his life and struggle against drug and alcohol addiction.

In one scene, Jia gets out of bed in a rehabilitation centre and murmurs to the ceiling: "I am Jia Hongsheng, an actor who loves rock, loves John Lennon. I wanted to be a great actor. I wanted to have a great band. But I am just a person."—Xinhua



Jia Hongsheng was an idol for the Chinese urban youth born around the early 1970s. XINHUA

Avatar plagiarism case heading to court

BEIJING, 10 July—A plagiarism case against Hollywood director James Cameron has been accepted by a Beijing court, setting up a confrontation between the movie mogul and an amateur Beijing writer.

"I was told to go to court next Monday to provide more material," writer Zhou Shaomou told *China Daily* on Friday.

Zhou, the general manager of a Beijing-based hi-tech business, said he spent more than seven years writing "Tale of the Blue Crows," a novel which recounts the epic journey of six astronauts to a distant planet, home to a race of blue-skinned beings. He said 80 percent of the plot and key elements of the movie "Avatar" are similar to his story, which he finished in 1997.

Zhou said he was prepared for a possible "long march" lawsuit.

Xinhua

"Scared" Lindsay Lohan plans to appeal jail term

LOS ANGELES, 10 July—Lindsay Lohan is "scared to death" about going to jail, and is planning to appeal her 90-day sentence with a new lawyer, her mother Dina Lohan said in an interview. "She's a fighter, and until the final result — we're not giving up," Dina Lohan told celebrity news

television show *Entertainment Tonight* in an interview to be broadcast on Friday.

"I think it's time we get another attorney just to see it from another light and do damage control," she added, saying her daughter hoped to file an appeal.

Internet



Actress Lindsay Lohan. INTERNET

YouTube to invest five million dollars to fund video-makers



Employees work at the Youtube headquarters in San Bruno, California on May 2010. INTERNET

SAN FRANCISCO, 10 July—YouTube announced Friday that it will invest five million dollars in promising video-makers.

"Our goal is to catalyze the creation of new ideas and production models from some of our most innovative and original content partners," said George Stropoulos, partner development manager at Google-owned YouTube.—Internet



This photo shows a poster of James Cameron's box office behemoth "Avatar". XINHUA

Germany coach 'to continue' with new contract

BERLIN, 10 July—German coach Joachim Loew will be handed a new contract as a reward for guiding Germany to the World Cup semi-finals it was reported by the normally reliable *Bild* on Friday.

The 50-year-old -



German coach Joachim Loew will be handed a new contract as a reward for guiding Germany to the W.Cup.—INTERNET

England's Webb to referee World Cup final - FIFA

JOHANNESBURG, 10 July—England's Howard Webb will referee Sunday's World Cup final between the Netherlands and Spain at Johannesburg's Soccer City, FIFA said on Thursday.



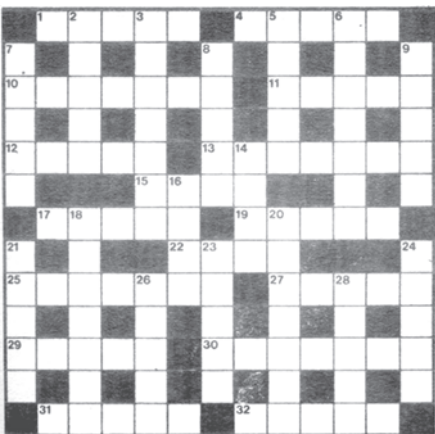
English referee Howard Webb
INTERNET

The 39-year-old from Rotherham, has been a FIFA-listed referee since 2005 and the former policeman regularly keeps law and order amongst the top stars of England's Premier League.

Webb is widely-regarded as one of Europe's top referees and took charge of May's Champions League final between Inter Milan and Bayern Munich in Madrid.

INTERNET

CROSSWORDS PUZZLE



Across

- 1 Stupid fellows
- 4 3-wheeled cycle
- 10 Notice
- 11 Irish river
- 12 Proportion
- 13 Comfort
- 15 Second-hand
- 17 Banquet
- 19 Good-for-nothing
- 22 Sea-eagle
- 25 Nazi secret police
- 27 Roman market-place
- 29 Vagrant
- 30 Gruesome
- 31 Mendacious
- 32 Motionless

Down

- 2 Assault
- 3 Jumpy
- 5 Red-breast
- 6 Prevailing tone
- 7 Fret
- 8 Tranquility
- 9 German composer
- 14 Chief Norse god
- 16 Pace
- 18 Rapture
- 20 Shortfall
- 21 Precious stone
- 23 Spacious
- 24 Live coal
- 26 Trembling poplar
- 28 Insurgent

who since replacing Jurgen Klinsmann as coach after the 2006 World Cup has taken Germany to the Euro 2008 final where like Wednesday's semi-final they were beaten by Spain - has been out of contract since 30 June.

However, according to *Bild* despite initial talks having broken down earlier this year over financial disagreements and also over Loew's desire to have more control over the Under-21 side, German Football Federation (DFB) president Theo Zwanziger will rubberstamp the new agreement on 30 July at an executive committee meeting.—INTERNET

S P O R T S

World Cup final coaches revel in back seat success

JOHANNESBURG, 10 July—At first look, World Cup final coaches Bert van Marwijk and Vicente Del Bosque could not seem more different and yet a closer inspection reveals a lot of similarities.

Van Marwijk is slick, arrogant and at times outspoken while Del Bosque is dour, quiet and almost introverted.

And yet when it comes to matters on the pitch they have

one very common trait, they take a back seat and let the players be the stars.

While the extrovert Diego Maradona sits at home pondering his future as Argentina boss, he would do well to take a leaf out of the books of the two coaches contesting the World Cup final.

Maradona was like a circus act in South Africa, dominating the headlines and being the star of the Argentine show.

Van Marwijk and Del Bosque have let their players be the stars and it is those players who have shone the most. While Maradona was a controversial and brilliant player who lifted the World Cup, both Van Marwijk and Del Bosque were merely very good players.—INTERNET



Dutch coach Bert van Marwijk. At first look, World Cup final coaches van Marwijk and Vicente Del Bosque.
INTERNET

Lang surprises with 69 at US Women's Open

OAKMONT, 10 July—Brittany Lang knows what it is like to lead the U.S. Women's Open after one round. What she is determined to do this time is be in front after the final round, too. "It's out there if you want it," Lang said after her opening-round 69 made her the sole leader in the women's national championship.

What Christie Kerr likes is it is easily out there for her, too. Again.

Kerr, who trounced the LPGA Championship field by 12 strokes two weeks ago, was three shots off the

lead going into Friday's second round — the kind of margin that a cantankerous Oakmont Country Club can erase in a matter of moments.—INTERNET



Brittany Lang walks up to the 18th green with her caddie Luke Lang during the first round of the US.—INTERNET

Hargreaves' injury jinx strikes again

MANCHESTER, 10 July—Manchester United midfielder Owen Hargreaves will miss the start of the Premier League season after suffering yet

another injury setback.

United manager Sir Alex Ferguson told MUTV on Thursday: "The bad news is that Owen Hargreaves is back in America seeing a specialist.

"He will not be ready for the start of the season. I do not know when he will be back."

Hargreaves made only one substitute appearance in the last campaign after an 18-month absence through injury.

It was hoped he could join United on their summer tour - they leave for their training camp in Chicago next Monday - but instead he is having further treatment.—INTERNET



Manchester United's English midfielder Owen Hargreaves.
INTERNET

Puyol delays decision on future until after final

POTCHEF STROOM, 10 July—Veteran defender Carles Puyol, whose headed goal took Spain into the World Cup final, will make a decision on his international future after Sunday's title showdown with Holland.

"What faces us is beautiful and after that will be the time to think," the 32-year-old Puyol said on Thursday.

"No decision has been made. I will talk about it with the coach Vicente Del Bosque and the sporting director (Fernando Hierro) after the final."

Barcelona star Puyol made his international de-

but in 2000 against the Dutch in a friendly and on Sunday will be winning his 90th cap.—INTERNET



Spain's defender Carles Puyol, seen here talking to the press and whose headed goal took Spain into the final.
INTERNET

NBA giant James to join stars at Miami Heat

LOS ANGELES, 10 July—The NBA's reigning two-time MVP LeBron James ended months of

suspense and guess work by announcing he is leaving the Cleveland Cavaliers to sign with the Miami Heat.

James' decision to leave his hometown and head south to Florida to play alongside Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh gives the Heat one of the most dynamic power trios in league history.

"The attraction in Miami is being alongside Dwyane Wade and being alongside Chris Bosh. It is a new challenge for myself," James said.

INTERNET



LeBron James is pictured announcing his future NBA plans at the Boys & Girls Club of America.
INTERNET



Jazz musicians perform at a concert during the Jazz Festival in Copenhagen, Denmark, on 10 July, 2010.

XINHUA

In record, 54 Chinese firms hit Global 500

BEIJING, 10 July— A record 54 Chinese companies are listed on the Fortune Global 500 this year, and three of them nudged into the top 10, a sign of China's growing economic power.

China Petroleum and Chemical Corp, also known as Sinopec, State Grid Corp of China and China National Petroleum Corp earned spots in the top 10. Last year, only Sinopec was ranked that high.

The overall number of Chinese firms on the list increased to 54 from last year's 43, among which are eight from Taipei making China the third largest country for Fortune 500 companies, following only the United States and Japan.

Xinhua

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (11-7-2010) (Sunday)

Transmissions

Local - (09:00am~11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission - (11-7-10 09:30 am ~ 12-7-10 09:30 am) MST

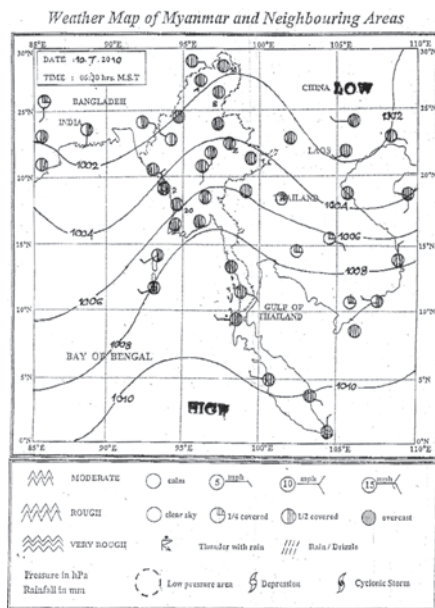
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Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Being Young " Youth and Music"
- * News
- * Myanmar Kaido and Kobelco Reliable and Trustworthy
- * Artist Myeik Win Htain & Heroes of Myanmar
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- * Orchid Survery in Hponkanrazi
- * Fad and Fashion of Myanma Cotton Ware
- * News
- * Bagan; The Land of Pagoda
- * The Beauty and Lifestyle of Taung Yoe Tribe
- * News
- * Record Album
- * Rakhine Traditional Wedding Ceremony
- * Myanmar Movie "He sows when he reaps"



WEATHER

Saturday, 10th July, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Kayah State, upper Sagaing, Magway and Yangon Divisions, scattered in Shan State, lower Sagaing, Mandalay and Ayeyawady Divisions, fairly widespread in Chin State and Bago Division and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with locally heavy falls in Mon State and isolated heavy falls in Rakhine State. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Kyaikmaraw (4.71) inches, Sittway (4.10) inches, Ye (3.54) inches, Chaungzon (3.39) inches, Thaton (3.19) inches and Mudon and Paung (2.95) inches each.

Maximum temperature on 9-7-2010 was 92°F. Minimum temperature on 10-7-2010 was 79°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 10-7-2010 was 79%. Total sun shine hours on 9-7-2010 was (3.1) hours.

Rainfall on 10-7-2010 was (Tr) at Mingaladon, (Nil) at Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (32.48) inches at Mingaladon, (37.16) inches at Kaba-Aye and (43.46) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (8) mph from Southwest at (18:30) hours MST on 9-7-2010.

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

Forecast valid until evening of the 11th July 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Kayah State, lower Sagaing, Magway and Mandalay Divisions, scattered in Shan State and upper Sagaing Division, fairly widespread in Yangon, Bago and Ayeyawady Divisions, widespread in the remaining states and Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Moderate monsoon.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 11-7-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 11-7-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 11-7-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).



Sunday, 11 July View on today

- 7:00 am
1. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၏ပရိတ် တရားတော်
- 7:15 am
2. မြတ်ဂုဏ်တော်သခင် (သန်းမြတ်စိုး၊ တေးရေး-မောင်မောင်လတ်)
- 7:25 am
3. To Be Healthy Exercise
- 7:30 am
4. Morning News
- 7:40 am
5. Nice & Sweet Song
- 7:50 am
6. ယဉ်ကျေးလိမ္မော်(၃၈)ပြာမင်္ဂလာ
- 8:05 am
7. အတဖြင့်ပွဲ
- 8:10 am
8. "အားကွဲအားတား"
- 8:30 am
9. " မြန်မာပြည်တစ်လွှား လမ်းတံတားများ "
- 8:40 am
10. International News
- 8:45 am
11. Musical Programme
- 11:00 am
1. Martial Song
- 11:10 am
2. Musical Programme
- 11:20 am
3. Round Up Of The Week's International News
- 11:30 am
4. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မပြသသောချစ်ခြင်း မနှမ်းသောမေတ္တာ" (အပိုင်း-၂၄)
- 12:30 pm
5. Golf Magazine (TV)
- 12:45 pm
6. မြန်မာစာပေဇာတ်လမ်း " ခြောင်နောင်နောင်ပေပေရီ " (လွင်မိုးခိုင်သင်းကြည်) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-မောင်သိ)
- 2:35 pm
7. Musical Programme
- 2:45 pm
8. International News
- 4:00 pm
1. Martial Song

- 4:10 pm
2. Song Of National Races
- 4:20 pm
3. အတိုးမြှင့်ပွဲ
- 4:25 pm
4. Musical Programme
- 4:35 pm
5. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ချစ်မြင်သင်ကြားသင်ခန်းစာ-ပထမနှစ် (သင်္ချာအထူးပြု) (သင်္ချာ)
- 4:50 pm
6. Songs For Uphold National Spirit
- 5:00 pm
7. " နိုင်ငံစီးပွားအလေးထား ကျေးလက်ထုတ်ကုန်များ "
- 5:10 pm
8. ကမ္ဘာ့ဖလားပွဲရိုက်များ (အပိုင်း-၁၇)
- 5:25 pm
9. Sing & Enjoy
- 6:00 pm
10. Evening News
- 6:15 pm
11. Weather Report
- 6:20 pm
12. ကာတွန်းအစီအစဉ် BUGS ADVENTURES (အပိုင်း-၁၉)
- 6:40 pm
13. တစ်မျိုးနွယ်တစ်ကွက်စာ "သူရဲကောင်းတို့နှလုံးအိမ်ဝယ်" (ဇာတ်သိမ်းပိုင်း)
- (ခင်မိုးမိုးအေးခင်မိုးပိုင်၊ ဝါဝါအောင်သူရလင်းမိုးခိုင်၊ ချစ်စရာတူနာကျော်ဦးခင်မိမိကို) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-မောင် (MMG))
- 7:00 pm
14. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ချစ်မိတာခွင့်လွှတ်ပါ" (အပိုင်း-၂၀)
- 8:00 pm
15. News
16. International News
17. Weather Report
18. မနေ့ကသင်နေ့နဲ့မနက်ဖြန် (အယ်လ်ဆိုင်းဒါ၊ တေးရေး-ဒီနေ့ပုဏ္ဏက)
19. ကာတွန်းအစီအစဉ် "တောကောင်ငယ် သိုင်းညီနောင်လေးများ" (အပိုင်း-၄၁)
20. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ရေဆုံးမြေဆုံး" (အပိုင်း-၂)
21. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏အရပ်ဆယ်မျက်နှာမေတ္တာ ဘာဝနာပွားများခြင်း တရားတော်
22. Football Planet (၂၀၁၀ကမ္ဘာ့ဖလားဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲ ကြိုသုံးသပ်ချက်)
- 12.7.2010 (Monday) AM
1:00
23. ကမ္ဘာ့ဖလားဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲ တိုက်ရိုက်ထုတ်လွှင့်မှုအစီအစဉ် (ဒိုင်လုပ်) (နယ်သာလန် အသင်း နှင့် စပိန် အသင်း)



- ★ 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

Lt-Gen Tha Aye oversees development tasks in Waingmaw, Kachin State

NAY PYI TAW, 10 July — Lt-Gen Tha Aye of the Ministry of Defence, together with Chairman of Kachin State Peace and Development Council Commander of Northern Command Maj-Gen Soe Win and officials, attended a collective ploughing ceremony for cultivation of monsoon paddy in Motlwe village, Waingmaw Township on 6 July.

Next, Lt-Gen Tha Aye met the local farmers, gave necessary instructions and presented cash awards to women paddy transplanters. He went to Shwe Yadana Soe Docheckkin natural fertilizer factory in Ward-4.

He was briefed by an official on growing of Docheckkin mushroom, production line of fertilizer and availability of raw materials. Lt-Gen Tha Aye left necessary instructions and inspected the factory.

Lt-Gen Tha Aye inspected progress in cultivation of monsoon paddy on both sides of Myitkyina-Bhamo road, condition of gravel road linking Dabatphan village, Waingmaw Township and Tali village, Momauk Township and developments of Dashi, Inlay, Aungmyay (1) & (2) and Nanhshayan villages.

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C-in-C (Navy)'s Trophy Sepak Takraw C'ship

NAY PYI TAW, 10 July—The opening ceremony of the Commander-in-Chief (Navy)'s Trophy Sepak Takraw Championship 2010 kicked off at Ayeyawady Naval Region Command Headquarters on 5 July.

On behalf of the Commander-in-Chief (Navy), the Acting Commander of Ayeyawady Naval Region Command delivered an opening address.

After the final matches, officials presented prizes to the winners.

On behalf of the Commander-in-Chief (Navy), an official awarded champion Taninthayi Naval Region Command.—MNA

Researchers use robot to determine how human strangers develop trust

SCIENCE DAILY, 10 July—What can a wide-eyed, talking robot teach us about trust? A lot, according to Northeastern psychology professor David DeSteno, and his colleagues, who are conducting innovative research to determine how humans decide to trust strangers — and if those decisions are accurate. The interdisciplinary research project, funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF), is being conducted in collaboration with Cynthia Breazeal, director of the MIT Media Lab's Personal Robots Group, Robert Frank, an economist, and David Pizarro, a psychologist, both from Cornell. The researchers are examining whether nonverbal cues and

gestures could affect our trustworthiness judgments. "People tend to mimic each other's body language," said DeSteno, "which might help them develop intuitions about what other people are feeling — intuitions about whether they'll treat them fairly." This project tests their theories by having humans interact with the social robot, Nexi, in an attempt to judge her trustworthiness. Unbeknownst to participants, Nexi has been programmed to make gestures while speaking with selected participants — gestures that the team hypothesizes could determine whether or not she's deemed trustworthy.

Internet



David DeSteno and MIT's Jin Joo Lee worked with Nexi the robot on the research project.

INTERNET