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Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing welcomed by Indian President

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July—Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing, who were on a goodwill visit in New Delhi of the Republic of India, were welcomed by Indian President Her Excellency Mrs Pratibha Devisingh Patil at the Darbar Hall of Presidential Palace in New Delhi on 27 July morning.

On arrival at the Presidential Palace in Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi, Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing were warmly welcomed by Indian President Mrs Pratibha Devisingh Patil. Indian Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh also welcomed them.

Next, Senior General Than Shwe, wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing and the Indian President took places on the dais. The military band played national anthems of the Union



Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing being welcomed by Indian President Mrs Pratibha Devisingh Patil at Presidential Palace in New Delhi.—MNA

of Myanmar and the Republic of India.

Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing then greeted Indian Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh, ministers, deputy ministers and high-ranking officials. The Indian President also greeted the en-

tourage of Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing. Senior General Than Shwe, wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing, the Indian President and the Indian Prime Minister posed for a documentary photo.

The welcoming ceremony was also at-

tended by Member of the State Peace and Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann, SPDC Secretary-1 General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence, Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung, ministers, Myanmar Amba-

sador to the Republic of India U Kyi Thein and the director-general of the Protocol Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The Indian President and the Indian Prime Minister were accompanied by Minister of Finance Mr Pranab Mukherjee,

Minister of Defence Mr A.K. Antony, Minister of External Affairs Mr Somanahalli Mallaiah Krishna, Minister of Home Affairs Mr Palaniappan Chidambaram, Minister of Power Mr Sushil Kumar Shinde, deputy ministers and high-ranking officials.

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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

PERSPECTIVES

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Put Myanmar into drug-free society

Today, the world has come under serious threat posed by narcotics such as poppy, heroin, opium oil and marijuana and stimulant tablets produced with precursor chemicals.

In particular, the menace of narcotic drugs is shockingly alarming among the youth. In consequence, the global issue is tarnishing the image of the drug users, dealers and their societies. Drug cases and trade have negative effects on the economy and social affairs of all those involved. Accordingly, every country has paid greater attention to prevention and control of drugs.

Myanmar is pursuing the 15-year plan for drug eradication. Now, the plan (1999-2014) has shown success a lot.

In some poppy-growing regions, poppy fields are being destroyed with the participation of local people. At the same time, local farmers are provided with effective encouragement to grow such poppy-substitute crops as rubber, corn, orange and sugarcane, and run farmlands and livestock farms.

In June 2010, 189 drug-related cases were exposed and over 300 offenders were punished in accordance with the law.

Now, the government is accelerating anti-drug tasks as human beings are still in grave danger of narcotics and stimulant tablets. So, the people have to take an active part in anti-narcotics operations to help put Myanmar into a drug-free society.

MPEC to conduct new Diploma in Software Engineering course

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July — Myanmar Professionals Education Center will conduct a new nine-month course for those with basis computer knowledge to obtain CICT Diploma in Software Engineering of Cambridge ICT in Malaysia by the end of July.

Six subjects related to software engineering and an applied project will be lectured by well-experienced trainers at the course.

Every one may take the course and trainees can pay fee by installments. Students who passed matriculation examination can enjoy special discount.

For further information, contact Myanmar Professionals Education Center (MPEC), Room (804/B), Dagon Center, Myenigon, Sangyoung Township, Yangon (Ph: 01 73066278 and every one may enlist in advance.

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People's Destiny

- * 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

Prime Minister receives DPRK Minister of Foreign Affairs and party

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July—Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein received a delegation led by Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea Mr



Prime Minister of Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein receives Minister of Foreign Affairs of Democratic People's Republic of Korea Mr Pak Ui Chun and party.

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Pak Ui Chun at the Government Office here at 9 am today.

Also present at the call together with Prime Minister U Thein Sein were Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win and heads of department, and

the visiting DPRK Minister of Foreign Affairs and party were accompanied by DPRK Ambassador to the Union of Myanmar Mr Kim Sok Chol.

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A & I Minister meets scholars



Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo meets 37 employees who received on-job training at Granot Agrostudies in Israel.

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NAY PYI TAW, 30 July — Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo met with 37 trainees who received on-job training at Granot Agrostudies in Israel for 10 months at the ministry here on 28 July yesterday.

In meeting with the trainees, the minister called for making use of the knowledge and experiences gained during the training to help farmers and agriculturalists so as to boost

agricultural products.

Departmental heads under the ministry also reported plans for boosting production of agricultural products and the minister laid down future plans.

Seventeen trainees studied for banana cultivation, 12 for gardening and eight for fruit and vegetable cultivation during the 10-month on-job training in Israel. —MNA



1,200 homes evacuated in LA Co as fire spreads

PALMDALE, 30 July—A brush fire swept over more than 7 square miles, prompted evacuations and burned structures in rural Los Angeles County Thursday as water-dropping heli-copters and crews scrambled to get ahead of the blaze.

Orange flames exploded through dry grasses, jumped roads and sped across the hills that connect Los Angeles to the high desert.

The fire started on the northern side of State Route 14 and burned north and east toward Palmdale, in the suburbs of Los Angeles County's inland desert, authorities said.

About 1,200 homes in the community of Leona Valley were under mandatory evacuation orders on Thursday evening, Los Angeles County Fire Inspector Matt Levesque said.

KCAL-TV showed

at least two structures fully engulfed in flames near where the blaze jumped a road and sent firefighters and sheriff's deputies scattering.

"Man, it looks bad outside. If I step outside the restaurant, it's just insane looking — black and orange smoke and helicopters going through, dropping water," said Jamie Karschamroon, 29, the co-owner of Crazy Otto's diner in Leona Valley.—Xinhua



Flames approach a home from a fast moving wildfire near Palmdale, Calif on 29 July, 2010.

INTERNET



Iraqis inspect the scene of a bomb attack in Baghdad, Iraq, on 28 July, 2010.—XINHUA

Death toll rises to 16 in Baghdad Sunni District attacks

BAGHDAD, 30 July—The death toll from the attacks in Baghdad's northern Sunni District has risen to 16 on Thursday, and 14 others were injured, an Interior Ministry source said.

"Our latest reports said that 16 were killed, including six soldiers and three policemen, by the coordinated attacks in Adhamiyah District," the source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity. On Thursday afternoon, a group of gunmen stormed an Iraqi army checkpoint in Adhamiyah, and shot dead three soldiers, the source said.

Xinhua

Three soldiers killed in suicide truck bomb north of Baghdad

TIKRIT, 30 July—At least three Iraqi soldiers were killed and 11 others injured when a suicide truck bomb struck a military base in a town in Salahudin Province north of Baghdad on Thursday, a provincial police source said.

"A suicide bomber drove his explosive-laden KIA truck into the entrance of a military base in the town of Sherqat, some 280 km north of Baghdad, killing three soldiers and wounding 11 others," the source from the provincial operation command told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

Sporadic attacks are still common in Iraq as part of recent deterioration in security which shaped a setback to the efforts of the Iraqi government to restore normalcy in the country more than four months after the violence-torn country held parliamentary elections on 7 March.—Xinhua

Three NATO soldiers killed in S Afghanistan

KABUL, 30 July—Three soldiers of the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) were killed in two separate roadside bombings in Afghanistan on Thursday, a Press release of the military alliance said Friday.

"An ISAF servicemember died following an improvised explosive device (IED) attack in southern Afghanistan yesterday," the Press release said.

"In a separate incident two ISAF servicemembers died following an IED attack in southern Afghanistan yesterday," it added.

However, it did not disclose the nationalities of the victims, saying it is ISAF policy to defer casualty identification procedures to the relevant national authorities.

Troops from the United States, Britain, Australia, Canada and the Netherlands have been serving in Afghanistan's southern region.

Xinhua

Somali pirates release Turkish cargo ship

NAIROBI, 30 July—Somali pirates have released a Turkish owned ship with 21 crew members onboard after four months in captivity, EU naval force confirmed on Thursday. Naval Force spokesman John Harbour said the Malta-flagged *MV Frigia* which was seized on 23 March this year in the pirate-infested waters of Somalia was freed early Thursday. "The *MV Frigia*, a

Maltese flagged cargo ship with deadweight of 35,000 tonnes was hijacked approximately 1,000 nautical miles east of the northern Somali coastline," Harbour said.

The vessel had been carrying fertilizer from Israel to Thailand when it was hijacked in March.

The crew includes a Turkish captain, 19 Turkish and two Ukrainian sailors.

Regional maritime sources said the crew are

in good condition and the ship was expected to meet shortly with the Turkish frigate *Gelibolu*, serving as part of an international task force to prevent piracy in the Gulf of Aden.

The Horn of Africa nation's coastline is considered one of the world's most dangerous stretches of water because of piracy.

Internet

Clash leaves seven dead in southern Afghan province

GHAZNI, 30 July—Clash between Taliban and the guards of a private security company Watan Risk left seven guards dead in southern Ghazni Province on Thursday, provincial police chief said.

"The clash occurred in Andar District as a result seven guards of the company and three Taliban rebels were killed," Khayalbaz Shirzai told Xinhua.

Three more guards of the company sustained injury in the gun battle lasted for a while.

Watan Risk company is local security company provides security to the logistic convoys of NATO-led forces in the southern provinces.

All the victims are Afghans.—Xinhua



A flu patient waits to see a doctor at a hospital in Asuncion, Paraguay, on 28 July, 2010. Paraguay confirmed 42 A/H1N1 flu cases among some 100,000 flu patients in the recent week, according to the Paraguayan Health Ministry.

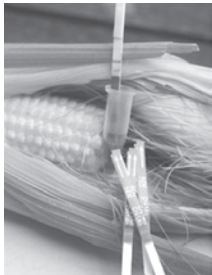
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A warship launches missiles during a live-ammunition military drill held by the South China Sea Fleet of the People's Liberation Army (PLA) Navy in the South China Sea on 26 July, 2010.

XINHUA

EU clears six types of GM maize for animal feed



One of Monsanto's genetically-modified maize cobs, seen here in recently.

INTERNET

BRUSSELS, 30 July—European regulators authorised on Wednesday the import of six types of genetically-modified maize for use in animal feed after governments were deadlocked over whether to ban or approve them.

The European Union has been divided for years over genetically-modified foods and the European Commission has proposed new rules

aiming to break an impasse that has severely limited the cultivation of such crops.

Agriculture ministers meeting last month in Luxembourg were unable to reach a qualified majority on maize from US biotech firms Monsanto and Pioneer, and Swiss company Syngenta to be used for feeding animals, not cultivation.

Internet



This aerial picture taken on 6 July, shows palm oil plantation operated by PT SMART, the palm oil unit of Sinar Mas in Kapuas Hulu in West Kalimantan Province on Borneo island. —INTERNET

Debate heats up over meteor's role in Ice Age

LONDON, 30 July—Some scientists have thought that the Earth's Ice Age conditions 12,900 years ago were triggered by a meteor or comet. But a recent study suggests that the evidence pointing to the ancient impact is nothing more than fungus and other matter. According to the impact theory, the event could

have caused the extinction of North American mammoths and other species, and killed the early human hunters that occupied North America at the time. Yet the new study concludes that

sediment samples taken as evidence of the impact are nothing more than common fossilized balls of fungus and fecal matter - not exactly signs of a space rock crashing into Earth.

Internet

Science

Scientists find chemical 'memory' molecule

TEL AVIV, 30 July—Scientists in Israel say they've identified a chemical in the human brain that helps brain cells store new memories and allows them to "stick."

A study by researchers at Tel Aviv University says a natural molecule occurring in the brain, called Aminobutyric acid, could be the main factor in

regulating how many new memories one can generate and permanently store, a university release said Thursday.

Memories are stored in highly variable synaptic connections between neurons in the brain, study leader Dr Inna Slutsky said, and the variability ultimately determines whether and how memories are

stored. The key to the variability is the naturally occurring GABA, Slutsky said.

Higher concentrations of GABA near a synapse induced a stronger activation of its receptors. As a result, GABA makes this synapse more liable to the formation of new memories, she said.

Xinhua

Panasonic to buy out Sanyo, Panasonic Electric

TOKYO, 30 July—Panasonic is planning to take 100 percent ownership of its subsidiaries Sanyo Electric and Panasonic Electric Works in a move costing up to \$9.4 billion to strengthen green businesses such as electric cars and solar panels.

Japan's biggest consumer electronics maker said in a statement Thursday it will buy shares in the two companies through a public tender offer, aiming for a complete purchase by April 2011. Shares in the target companies soared while Panasonic tumbled.

Panasonic Corp already owns 51 percent of Panasonic Electric Works Co, which has lighting, electric and housing operations, and owns 50.05 percent of Sanyo Electric Co, a money-losing unit with strong battery and solar panel businesses that Panasonic took over in December.—Internet



Indian customers purchase vegetables and food items from a vendor at a night market in New Delhi. Indian farmers are injecting a hormone sometimes given to women during childbirth into vegetables and fruits to make the produce ripen sooner and gain weight, an Indian minister has warned.—INTERNET

Apple 'looking into' iOS 4 problems on iPhone 3G

LONDON, 30 July—Even as "Antennagate" fades into the background, Apple is getting hit with yet another problem: iPhone 3G users whose handsets became murderously slow after upgrading to the latest iPhone OS. Users of the old iPhone 3G from 2008 have been complaining for weeks that performance on their handsets has slowed to a crawl ever since they

upgraded to iOS 4. Now Apple is said to be looking into the widely reported problem.

An Apple rep told the *Wall Street Journal* that engineers in Cupertino are "aware of the reports and looking into the matter," which has spawned an avalanche of complaints on Apple's support forums and warnings from bloggers that iPhone 3G owners should think twice before upgrading to the latest iPhone OS.

Among the issues that have cropped up for iPhone 3G users who went ahead and upgraded: sluggish performance across the board, jumpy interface animations, a long delay between hitting the "sleep" button and hearing the "click" sound, native and third-party apps that continually crash or take their sweet time to launch, spontaneous reboots ... et cetera, et cetera.

Internet

A wireless internet router sits on top of a laptop computer. The White House wants to give the FBI easier access to the Internet activity of suspects without a court order, the *Washington Post* reported Thursday.—INTERNET



Amazon CEO hopes new Kindles stoke sales

SEATTLE, 30 July—Jeff Bezos isn't just confident you'll want a Kindle e-book reader. The CEO of Amazon.com is bracing for a future in which you'll also want ones for your kid heading to college, your spouse in a book club and perhaps even Grandpa.

And despite increased competition

from Apple Inc's flashy iPad and other e-readers, that future could be coming soon — as early as August, actually, when online retailer Amazon.com Inc releases two new Kindle models. With both versions costing less than \$200, and one not far above the \$99 psychological tipping point for gadget-buying, Bezos expects

people to buy multiple devices for their households. If he's right, the new Kindles could help cement the company's status as the reigning e-reader and e-book champ, even in the face of an ever-growing field of challengers.

Internet

Business



Myanmar, the Union we love

Mi Pyi Chit

Fans were up in arms supporting their favourite teams in 2010 FIFA World Cup. Every time their team scored a goal, they shouted and waved their State Flag or team flag out of joy. Watching football matches, enthusiasts came to equip themselves with a stronger sense of nationalistic spirit. They shared common consent of supporting the teams of their mother countries, then their continents such as Asia, Africa, Europe, and America. That indicates nationalistic fervour and the spirit of cherishing own race and country.

Footballers were very proud to represent their mother countries. They were found singing their national anthems wholeheartedly. As soon as they got into the football pitch, they said prayers for success, touching the ground. Putting their arms around one another's shoulders and standing in circular shape, they made resolution. And they encouraged and promised each other for success. The scenes were so inspiring that I had goose pimples watching football matches on TV.

Football matches awakened nationalistic spirit with which a citizen can make final sacrifice in the interest of his country, race and religious faith. When their national team was defeated, the fans around the country had their eyes filled with tears out of sadness.

A football match is like a competition between nationalistic spirits of the two peoples. Therefore, it can be deduced that everybody loves their own races, countries and regions.

When it comes to the national concern, the National Anthem, nationalistic spirit and patriotism are positive ones. So, the body of every citizen concerns the interest of the entire people. All should take great care in physical, verbal and mental actions and give priority to the interest of the nation and the people.

People individually work hard in their studies for their higher education, with which they can

be hopeful of good businesses. If so, they can earn higher incomes and enjoy better socio-economic status. If and when they enjoy life security, they have to support their family members, and then friends.

Life is struggle. Everyone has to struggle from birth to death according to their concepts, parental sermons, Buddha's doctrines, the societies they have dealt with, and their lifelong experiences. So, various people have various attitudes. What is important in this regard is that all have to show positive attitude and altruistic spirit to enable the Union we love to stand tall in the global community.

The first and foremost need for everyone is to improve innate nature. Without education, a child cannot distinguish between good and bad. So, parents have to try to enroll their children to school. Every society should extend a helping hand in that regard. In a village, as for a person, the majority of the residents are his friends and acquaintances. If with common assistance, without doubt, every child in that village can complete primary education. Then, it is not very difficult for the child to do post-literary activities.

Moreover, every child who has access to middle and high school education need to try to complete matriculation education. Youngsters who have completed high school education have many hopes ahead of them and they can dream a wide range of goals.

Simultaneously, they should pursue the 38 Ways to Blessings preached by the Buddha, causes of merits and demerits, Five Precepts, Eight Precepts, Ten Precepts, sermons of venerable monks, etiquettes, code of conduct, Buddhist instructions in ethics, and good literary works. Applying the knowledge from their studies, we all should mend our ways physically, verbally and mentally. If so, we can get on with social affairs

and take things correctly from the economic, political and religious points of views.

Based on intellectual power, one can improve their married life and family life and get well along with their relatives. Here, everyone regardless of sex needs to make correct choices. A couple, both of whom have low intellectual power, are in no position to withstand all forms of stresses and straights for a long time. The married life is meaningless if their life conditions are going from bad to worse. Only with high education standard and economic strength, will it be possible for a couple to enjoy social and health development and donate a portion of their family income.

With a growing number of individuals, households and tribes, an area grows into a state and then into a union state. Local people of a region are responsible for ensuring regional development, peace, the rule of law, and cultural and religious improvement. All citizens are to be well convinced of the fact that it calls for unity of all locals and takes thousands of years for civilization of a region or a union, and they also need to view the historical background of their region or union as they really are.

The Union of Myanmar is a union that has been safeguarded since the time of our forefathers from Bagan Period to date. A very large number of citizens have risked life and limb for survival of the Union. And the people will have to make various forms of sacrifices for survival of the Union. In addition, they will have to exert their strength, intellectual power, unity, vigour and patriotic spirit for sustainable progress of the Union. None of the people wants to let the Union fall to pieces. I would like to exhort each and every citizen to work harder than ever, striving for completion of high school education, economic growth, high education standard, self-discipline, and development of human resources, peaceful coexistence of each other with positive attitude and work instead of putting blame on each other, arming themselves with strong mind, firm resolution, daring spirit, and Union Spirit, preservation of race, religion, language, cultural heritage, customs and fine traditions in order that the motherland will continue to stand with her head held high in the world.

Taking good lessons from professional spirits shown by footballers in the 2010 FIFA World Cup, let's keep working in cohesion with knowledge, mindfulness, and farsightedness and reasoning power for prosperity and democratization of the Union we cherish.

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Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing and Indian President Mrs Pratibha Devisingh Patil pose for a documentary photo at Presidential Palace in New Delhi.
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Ceremony to welcome Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing by Indian President Mrs Pratibha Devisingh Patil in progress.
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Senior General Than Shwe receives Indian External Affairs Minister

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July—Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Senior General Than Shwe received Minister of External Affairs Mr Somanahalli Mallaiah Krishana at ITC Maurya Hotel in New Delhi on 27 July morning.

Present at the call together with the Senior General were SPDC Member General Thura Shwe Mann, SPDC Secretary-1 General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, Myanmar Ambassador to India U Kyi Thein.

The Indian external affairs minister was accompanied by Foreign Secretary Mr Nirupam Rao, joint Secretary (BSM) Mr T.S. Tirumurti, Director Mr Gopal Bagley and Indian



Ambassador to Myanmar Dr Villur Sundararajan Seshadri. MNA

Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe receives Indian External Affairs Minister Mr Somanahalli Mallaiah Krishana.—MNA

Senior General Than Shwe receives Indian Vice-President

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July — Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe received Vice-President of the Republic of India Mr Mohammad Hamid Ansari at ITC Maurya Hotel in New Delhi at 4 pm on 27 July.

Also present at the call together with Senior General Than Shwe were SPDC Member General Thura Shwe Mann, SPDC Secretary-1 General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win and Myanmar Ambassador to the Republic of India U Kyi Thein and together with Indian Vice-



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President Mr Mohammad Hamid Ansari were Secretary at Vice-President's Secretariat Shri Shumsher K. Sheriff, Joint Secretary Shri T.S. Tirumurti from Ministry of External Affairs and Joint Secretary at Vice-President's Secretariat Shri P. Harish.—MNA

Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe being welcomed by Vice-President of the Republic of India Mr Mohammad Hamid Ansari at ITC Maurya Hotel in New Delhi.

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Deputy Energy Minister meets Thai delegation

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July — Deputy Minister for Energy U Than Htay held talks with Thai delegation led by Minister of Energy of Thailand Dr. Wannarat Channukul at the ministry

here today.

At the meeting, they cordially discussed matters related to win-win cooperation in the energy sector.—MNA

2000 stimulant tablets seized in Tachilek Township

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July — Officials seized 2000 WY brand stimulant tablets while searching Ma Nann Ei (a) Ma Ei Nann at a restaurant in Parlyan Ward-3 in Haunglake village-tract in Tachilek

Township of Shan State (East) on 27 July morning.

Tachilek Police Station filed a charge against her.

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Deputy Energy Minister U Than Htay receives Thai Energy Minister Dr. Wannarat Channukul and party.

ENERGY

Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing lay wreath at Samadhi of Mahatama Gandhi

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July— Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing visited the Samadhi of Mahatama Gandhi in Rajghat in New Delhi after attending the welcoming ceremony of President of the Republic of India Mrs. Pratibha Devisingh Patil on 27 July morning.

First, Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing laid a wreath and paid tribute holding a minute's silence at the Samadhi of Mahatama Gandhi.

Next, Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing scattered petals at the Samadhi of Mahatama Gandhi.

Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing signed in the visitors' book.

Afterwards, Mr. Rajneesh, secretary of Samadhi of Mahatama Gandhi Committee, made a presentation on preservation work and presented books published in commemoration of Mahatama Gandhi and a gift to the Senior General.

The Senior General and party left the Samadhi for the hotel.

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Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing lay wreath at the Samadhi of Mahatama Gandhi.—MNA

Senior General Than Shwe receives Leader of the Opposition in the Upper House of the Republic of India

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July— Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe received Leader of the Opposition in the Upper House of the Re-

public of India Mrs. Sushma Swaraj at the hall of ITC Maurya Hotel in New Delhi of the Republic of India

at 3.30 p.m. on 27 July.

Also present at the call were Member of the State Peace and

Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann, SPDC Secretary-1 General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint

Oo, Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win and Myanmar Ambassador to India U Kyi Thein.— MNA



Chairman of State Peace and Development Council Senior General Than Shwe receives Leader of the Opposition in the Upper House of the Republic of India Mrs. Sushma Swaraj at the hall of ITC Maurya Hotel in New Delhi.

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Senior General Than Shwe meets...

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transportation, Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport Project, maintenance of Tiddim road, upgrading of Steelwell Road, development in agricultural, industrial, power and IT sectors, boosting cooperation in energy, science and technology, rail transportation, education, health, information, cultural, communication and tourism sectors and regional and international cooperation.

The signing ceremony of treaty and Memorandums of Understanding between the Union of Myanmar

government and Indian government was held at the Hall of Hyderabad House.

Treaty on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters between the Union of Myanmar government and India government was signed by Minister of Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win and Indian Home Affairs Minister Mr P Chidambaram; MoU on Indian grant assistance for implementation of small developmental projects by Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha and Indian External Affairs Minister Mr S M



Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha and Indian External Affairs Minister Mr S M Krishna sign MoU on Indian grant assistance for implementation of small developmental projects.—MNA



Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win and Indian Home Affairs Minister Mr P Chidambaram signing a treaty on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters between the Union of Myanmar government and India government.—MNA



Myanmar Ambassador to India U Kyi Thein and Secretary of Ministry of Culture of India Mr Jawhar Sircar sign an MoU on conservation and restoration of Ananda Temple in Bagan.—MNA



Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe greets Prime Minister of the Republic of India Dr Manmohan Singh at the Deccan Suite of Hyderabad House in New Delhi.—MNA

Krishna; MoU on Information Cooperation by Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan and Secretary of Information Ministry Mr Taghu Menon; and MoU on cooperation in science and Technology by Myanmar Ambassador to India U Kyi Thein and Secretary of Department of Science and Technology of India Dr T

Ramasami; and MoU on conservation and restoration of Ananda Temple in Bagan by Myanmar Ambassador U Kyi Thein and Secretary of Ministry of Culture Mr Jawhar Sircar. They later exchanged the documents. After the signing ceremony, the two sides released Myanmar-Indian Joint Statement.

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Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan and Secretary of Indian Information Ministry Mr Raghu Menon sign an MoU on Information Cooperation.—MNA



Myanmar Ambassador to India U Kyi Thein and Secretary of Department of Science and Technology of India Dr T Ramasami signing an MoU on cooperation in science and technology.—MNA

After regaining independence, the two neighbouring countries have been maintaining good neighbourly relations based on the Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence

Senior General Than Shwe

Same heritage of Buddhism, experiences on colonialism, independence movements and recent bilateral cooperation reached a milestone of cooperation and friendship between the two peoples of India and Myanmar

President Mrs Pratibha Devisingh Patil

Indian President hosts dinner in honour of Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing



Chairman of State Peace and Development Council Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing meet Indian President Mrs Pratibha Devisingh Patil at Presidential Palace in Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi. —MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July—President of the Republic of India Mrs Pratibha Devisingh Patil hosted a dinner in honour of Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing at Presidential Palace in Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi, on 27 July.

Before the dinner at 7:30 pm, the Indian President extended greetings to the Senior General and wife at Darbar Hall.

Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing were accompanied by SPDC Member General Thura Shwe Mann and wife Daw Khin Lay Thet, SPDC Secretary-1 General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo and wife Daw Khin Saw Hnin, Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win and Myanmar Ambassador to India U Kyi Thein. The Indian President was accompanied by Secretary of External Affairs Ministry Mrs Nirupama Rao, Indian Ambassador to Myanmar Dr Villur Sundararajan Seshadri, Indian President's Personal Assistant Dr Christy Fernandez, Joint Secretary of the Ministry of External Affairs of India Mr T.S Tirumurti

and Head of the Protocol Department Mr Sunil Lal.

The programme to extend greetings to Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing and Indian President Mrs Pratibha Devisingh Patil was held in front of the dinner hall. The military band played the Anthems of Myanmar and India.

Indian Vice-President Mr Mohammad Hamid Ansari and wife, Indian Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh and wife, ministers, deputy ministers, the Indian Ambassador to Myanmar and wife, and high-ranking officials greeted Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing and Indian President Mrs Pratibha Devisingh Patil.

SPDC Member General Thura Shwe Mann and wife Daw Khin Lay Thet, SPDC Secretary-1 General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo and wife Daw Khin Saw Hnin, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence and wife, Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung and wife, ministers and delegation members also greeted the Indian President.

Indian President Mrs Pratibha Devisingh Patil in her speech said that it was a pleasure for her to welcome

Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing and delegation members; that true friendship, friendly relations historical background, geographical features and cultural relations between the two nations made further contribution towards bilateral friendly relations; that same heritage of Buddhism, experiences on colonialism, independence movements and recent bilateral cooperation reached a milestone of cooperation and friendship between the two peoples; that the Senior General's goodwill visit to India in 2004 is an historic trip that further cemented the bilateral relations and led to bilateral cooperation for mutual interest; that there have been more goodwill visits of leaders between the two countries; that the bilateral relations is continuously improving in various sectors; that the two neighbours are jointly implementing development projects and plans such as Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport project, Htamanthi and Shwesaryay hydropower project, Heavy Trucks factory project in Magway and cable line project and further progress has been made in energy,

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electric power, agriculture, IT and railway sectors; that location of Myanmar serves as a bridge between ASEAN countries and South Asian countries; that for India, Myanmar is like a gateway to ASEAN; that Myanmar is an active member of BIMSTEC; as well as an observer of SAARC; that bilateral relations generate closer relations among regional countries; that Waso Fullmoon Day falls on one of the days of the visit, and delegation members could visit Buddhist sites; that the meeting held in Delhi for mutual interest brought a lot of good returns, and agreements could be signed; and that this will further enhance bilateral relations. Next, she proposed a toast.

Senior General Than Shwe expressed thanks for warm welcome since the Myanmar delegation arrived at New Delhi and for the dinner, saying that Myanmar and India are



Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Senior General Than Shwe giving speech at dinner hosted by Indian President Mrs Pratibha Devisingh Patil at Presidential Palace in Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi.— MNA

good neighbourly countries that share the same border and have existed in peace for thousands of years; that the two peoples have close relations to each other due to the close identity of historical backgrounds, geographical features, cultures and religious customs and traditions of the two countries; that the two countries have similar history of move-

ments to throw off the yoke of colonialism; that after regaining independence, the two neighbouring countries have been maintaining good neighbourly relations based on the five principles of peaceful co-existence; that friendly relations between the two countries have been further cemented and they have boosted multipurpose cooperations thanks to the

reciprocal visits of State leaders of the two countries; that economic cooperation and development cooperation between India and South East Asian countries have been further strengthened; that bilateral relations and cooperation have been improved due to India's "Look East" policy; that it is needed to cooperate more than ever in tasks for

IT, industry and transport between Myanmar and India; that with pleasure Myanmar will serve as an archway and a bridge between South Asian and ASEAN countries; that a boost relations and cooperation between India and ASEAN will provide impetus for bilateral relations and cooperation between Myanmar and India; that goodwill visits of leaders

of the two countries not only further bolstered bilateral friendship but also created a new era of multipurpose cooperation; that the purpose of his goodwill visit is to fortify friendly relations between the two governments and two peoples; that it is required to expedite development projects designed for mutual interest in order to improve Myanmar-India relations into strategic relations; that Myanmar is pleased to see India's economic growth and such changes as IT, biology, agriculture, industry and science; that Myanmar thanks India for political, economic and technical assistance; and that Myanmar hopes increase in IT cooperation and investment from India. Next, he proposed a toast.

Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing and party and Indian President Mrs Pratibha Devisingh Patil and party enjoyed dinner together.

After the dinner, Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing left the Presidential Palace for the ITC Maurya Hotel.—MNA



Indian President Mrs Pratibha Devisingh Patil giving speech at dinner at Presidential Palace in Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi.—MNA

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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV KOTA TAMPAN VOY NO (337)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA TAMPAN VOY NO (337) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 31.7.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T 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.

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

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Calcium supplements may raise risk of heart attack

HONG KONG, 30 July — Calcium supplements, which many people consume hoping to ward off osteoporosis, may increase the risk of heart attack by as much as 30 percent, researchers reported on Friday. These tiny tablets which carry concentrated doses of calcium were also associated with higher incidences of stroke and death, but they were not statistically significant.

The researchers advised people consuming calcium supplements to seek advice from their doctors, take more calcium-rich foods and try other interventions like exercise, not smoking and keeping a healthy weight to prevent osteoporosis. "People regard calcium supplements as natural but they are really not natural at all," Ian Reid, professor of medicine at the University of Auckland in New Zealand, said in a telephone interview. — *Internet*

French mother confesses to killing eight babies

PARIS, 30 July — A 47-year-old French woman confessed to suffocating eight newborn children and hiding her babies' bodies, a prosecutor said on Thursday, in what experts declared as the country's worst recorded case of infanticide. The woman and her husband, also in his forties, were detained on Tuesday when the bodies were found wrapped in plastic bags at two homes in Villers-au-Tertre, a village of about 650 people 200 km (120 miles) north of Paris.

Dominique Cottrez, an auxiliary nurse, initially

confessed to killing two children at birth before admitting to police she had murdered six others dating back to the early 1990s, public prosecutor Eric Vaillant told a news conference. "The mother knew she was pregnant ... She didn't want any more children and didn't want any doctors involved," Vaillant said, adding that her first pregnancy had been traumatic.

Cottrez told police she had not informed her husband about the pregnancies or her decision to kill the babies. Her large build would have made it easier for her to hide the pregnancies, the prosecutor said. The crime came to light after new owners of the couple's previous home unearthed the remains of two babies under a tree in the garden.

— *Internet*

French gendarmes conduct their investigation at the house where the bodies of eight newborn children were found in two different places in the house and the garden in the village of Villers-au-Tertre on 28 July, 2010. — *INTERNET*

London gears up for two-wheeled revolution

LONDON, 30 July — The sprawling, congested city of London speeds towards a greener, nimbler future on Friday with the launch of a new bike hire scheme aimed at kick-starting a cycling revolution ahead of the 2012 Olympics. Commuters and tourists infuriated by heavy traffic and often

overcrowded, unreliable public transport finally have a two-wheeled alternative, similar to schemes already in place in Paris, Shanghai and dozens of cities worldwide.

From Friday, they can pick up one of 6,000 bicycles from 400 docking stations in central London — including at the British Museum and Buck-

ingham Palace — then pedal to their destination and drop it off, all for a small fee. At least that's the plan.

In Paris, a similar scheme is hugely popular but has also been marred by vandalism and theft, with organizers having to replace the entire bike fleet just two years after its launch. — *Internet*



London Cycle Hire bicycles are parked at a docking point in central London. — *INTERNET*

Whooping cough cases doubled in July in Santa Clara County

SAN JOSE, 30 July — Whooping cough cases in Santa Clara County more than doubled in July, prompting concerned local health officials to urge adults to get booster shots for the vaccination. In 2010, 97 instances of the disease have appeared, with 51 documented in July alone. In 2009, Santa Clara County recorded only 25 cases of the disease.

Although infants are still most at risk for whooping cough and should receive the vaccination, public officials strongly advise parents and family members to obtain booster shots for whooping cough because they can easily transmit the disease to infants.

— *Internet*

Protein in urine can forecast kidney disease

WASHINGTON, 30 July — Doctors may be able to watch for kidney injury and protect patients by looking for protein in urine, researchers reported on Thursday. Patients with the highest levels of protein, or albuminuria, had an almost five-fold increase in the risk of developing acute kidney injury, the researchers reported in the *Journal of the American*

Society of Nephrology.

The cheap and easy test may provide a way to watch for kidney damage and improve upon the current method, called estimated glomerular filtration rate, the team at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore said. Acute kidney injury, common when people are in hospital, is seen in 1.6 percent of all hospital patients and occurs when kidneys sud-

denly lose the ability to filter waste products from blood. Acute kidney injury can be reversible if a patient is otherwise healthy, but often results in chronic kidney disease and kidney failure requiring dialysis or a kidney transplant.

"It's potentially reversible, but not always. And the reason we worry so much about acute kidney injury is that it can lead to bad things in the future, put people at much higher risk for death, put them at risk for chronic kidney disease," said Dr Morgan Grams, who worked on the study. Grams and colleagues studied 11,200 patients, looking at their medical records. They had the albuminuria test as part of their care. — *Internet*





Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST) research scientist Yoon Woo-keun uses a cup which is being held by RAPUDA (Robotic Arm for Persons with Upper-limb Disabilities) at a demonstration during ROBO, an exhibition on service robot manufacturing technologies, in Tokyo on 28 July, 2010. RAPUDA can be installed on a wheelchair, AIST said.

Cheeseburger found in SC woman's gas tank

A South Carolina woman found out fast food won't make your car go fast. *The Herald of Rock Hill* reported Thursday a 30-year-old woman made a complaint to police after she took her car to a Rock Hill mechanic last week because it would suddenly stop running.

Police said a mechanic found a cheeseburger and pickle inside the car's gas tank. The woman told officers she had no idea how it happened.

Investigators said the damage cost about \$1,000 to repair.

Brewer claims world's strongest beer

A Dutch brewer with a penchant for competition has laid claim to creating the world's strongest brew: a beer that is some 60 percent alcohol by volume.

"You don't drink it like beer, but like a cocktail — in a nice whisky or cognac glass," brewer Jan Nijboer told Dutch news agency ANP.

Nijboer's Almere-based brewery, 't Koelschip (The Refrigerated Ship), sells the new beer, which is 120 proof and dubbed "Start the Future," in a one-third liter bottle for 35 euros (\$45) each.

Nijboer told ANP he developed the new brew to keep up with Scottish outfits that were also pushing the boundaries of beer's alcohol content.

His previous record-holder, a beer called Oblix that was 90 proof (45 percent alcohol by volume), was eclipsed by a Scottish beer that reached 55 percent.

That beer, dubbed "The End of History," was announced last week by a small brewery called BrewDog. Only 12 bottles were made, each housed inside a stuffed dead animal and sold starting at 500 pounds (\$780) each.



A waiter takes a tablet of beer mugs on the opening day of Schweizerhaus beer garden in Vienna.

Churchill's dentures fetch nearly \$24,000

A partial set of British wartime Prime Minister Winston Churchill's gold-mounted dentures has fetched 15,200 pounds (\$23,770) at auction, over three times the estimate.

The false teeth, specially designed to disguise Churchill's lisp, were sold by the son of the technician who was commissioned to make them.

They had been expected to make a maximum of 5,000 pounds at Thursday's sale by Keys auctioneer.

"The atmosphere was electric," said a Keys' spokesman.

The buyer, a collector of Churchill memorabilia from Gloucestershire, also owns the microphone with which Churchill announced the end of the war in Europe in 1945.

500-pound alligator rounded up in SC lagoon

As gators go, the one found in a South Carolina lagoon was downright gargantuan. The Island Packet of Hilton Head reported that an 11-foot-long, 500 pound alligator was removed from a lagoon on the resort island on Wednesday. It took three gator wrestlers from the Critter Management company and a truck to pull the gator from the lagoon near a church.

A worker said the gator was so big, it was a like a frog in a puddle.

Critter Management owner Joe Maffo said most encounters with gators occur during the spring and early summer. He said the gator probably just found a lagoon where he felt comfortable.

News Album

Zhang Yimou's "Hawthorn Tree" due out 16 Sept

BEIJING, 30 July—Zhang Yimou's new film "The Love of the Hawthorn Tree" will open in Chinese cinemas on 16 September, the director's producing partner Zhang Weiping has announced.

The film will join a blockbuster-filled September, competing with Andrew Lau's "Legend of the Fist: The Return of Chen Zhen", John Woo's "Reign of Assassins" and Tsui Hark's "Detective Dee".

"The Love of the Hawthorn Tree", based on a popular novel of the same name, tells a poignant love story set in the 1970s.

Nineteen-year-old Zhou Dongyu, a little-known actress, plays the lead role.—Xinhua



Rapper Eminem performs 'Not Afraid' at the 2010 BET Awards in Los Angeles.

INTERNET

Ellen DeGeneres quits "American Idol" as judge

BEIJING, 30 July — "American Idol" is losing another judge, Ellen DeGeneres, who was added into the show just last August.

Ellen DeGeneres is leaving America's top-rated reality show,

effective immediately, meaning she will not appear at the auditions this summer or on the show next winter, the *New York Times* reports Friday.

"A couple months ago, I let (TV network) Fox and the 'American Idol' producers know that this didn't feel like the right fit for me," DeGeneres said in a statement.

"It was a difficult decision to make, but my work schedule became more than I bargained for. I also realized this season that while I love discovering, supporting and nurturing young talent, it was hard for me to judge people and sometimes hurt their feelings," she added.

DeGeneres is the second judge to quit the show this year. Abrasive British judge Simon Cowell left in May to launch his own talent



Comedian Ellen DeGeneres poses with her award for Favourite Talk Show Host at the 35th annual People's Choice awards in Los Angeles.

XINHUA

show in late 2011.

Peter Rice, the FOX entertainment chairman, said, "We love Ellen and understand and support her decision to bow out of Idol. We were fortunate to receive the humor, energy and love for talent that she brought to the show."

Xinhua

Mark Wahlberg gets star on Hollywood Walk of Fame

LOS ANGELES, 30 July—Rapper-turned-underwear model-turned-Oscar-nominated actor Mark Wahlberg has been enshrined in the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

The 39-year-old actor was presented with a star Thursday on Hollywood Boulevard's famed sidewalk monument.

Will Ferrell, who



Actor Mark Wahlberg arrives at the Comic Con Maxim party celebrating the feature film 'The Other Guys' in San Diego, Calif on 23 July, 2010.

INTERNET

stars with Wahlberg in the action-comedy "The Other Guys" being released next week, was on hand for the ceremony. The comedian got in a couple of digs.

"I'm glad to be here," Ferrell said. "I first became a fan of Mark's when I bought his workout video. And I love all your 'Bourne' movies."

Internet



Hong Kong pop singer Karen Mok performs at a live concert in Hong Kong on 28 July, 2010.—INTERNET



Experienced defender
Jean Alain Bounsong

SPORTS

Hughes confirmed as new Fulham boss

LONDON, 30 July—English Premier League side Fulham on Thursday named former Wales and Manchester City boss Mark Hughes as their new manager to succeed Roy Hodgson.

Hughes, who enjoyed a successful playing career with Manchester United, Barcelona and Chelsea and has also coached Blackburn Rovers, has signed a two-year deal with the London club.

"I am happy to have joined Fulham following much speculation



English Premier League side Fulham on Thursday named former Wales and Manchester City boss Mark Hughes, as their new manager to succeed Roy Hodgson.—INTERNET

regarding the appointment of a new manager," said Hughes.

Internet

Bounsong boosts French legion at Panathinaikos

ATHENS, 30 July—Experienced defender Jean Alain Bounsong will follow French teammates Djibril Cisse and newly-arrived Sidney Govou by sealing a move to Greek champions Panathinaikos on Friday. Media reports here said the 30-year-old will sign a three-year contract with an annual salary of about one million euros with Bounsong's current club Lyon expected to receive 850,000 euros from the deal.

"I came to the best team in Greece. I do not know if I will become a team leader, but I promise that I will give my best," said the Frenchman. Bounsong has played for Lyon (2008-2010), Juventus (2006-2008), Newcastle United (2005-2006), Rangers (2004-2005), Auxerre (2000-2004) and Le Havre (1997-2000). "I have had success in the Champions League with my previous teams and I want to accomplish the same with Panathinaikos," Bounsong said.—Internet

Vaughan leads US Senior Open at 4-under 66

SAMMAMISH, 30 July—The fans following Fred Couples and Tom Watson early Thursday morning were sometimes six- and seven-deep, wedging themselves between tree trunks and ducking under limbs. Very quietly, and



Bruce Vaughan

without much attention, Bruce Vaughan was the player taking early control of the US Senior Open.

Taking advantage of cool morning conditions and mostly avoiding the canopy of trees engulfing Sahalee Country Club, Vaughan opened with a 4-under 66 on Thursday to take a two-stroke lead. The 2008 Senior British Open champion — his only victory on the Champions Tour — made just two bogeys in a steady round, while favorites such as Couples and Watson were far more shaky.—Internet

Liverpool, Juve make winning Europa League starts

PARIS, 30 July—European giants Liverpool and Juventus began life under new coaches with victories in the first legs of their



David Ngog of Liverpool scores against Macedonian minnows Rabotnicki during their UEFA League third qualifying round.—INTERNET

Europa League third qualifying round ties on Thursday. A David Ngog brace gave Roy Hodgson's Liverpool a 2-0 victory at Macedonian minnows Rabotnicki, while Luigi Delneri oversaw an equally straightforward 2-0 win for the Italian side at Irish team Shamrock Rovers.

Liverpool and Juve have had to undergo the ignominy of the Europa League preliminary rounds after each finished seventh in their respective leagues last season, prompting managerial changes at both Anfield and the Stadio Olimpico.

Internet

Mancini ready to take Robinho back

LONDON, 30 July—Manchester City manager Roberto Mancini is ready to make peace with Robinho if the Brazil forward is willing to raise his game for the Premier League club. Mancini sent Robinho on loan to Santos for the second half of last season after growing tired of the former Real Madrid star's lacklustre displays.

Despite costing a British record 32.5 million pounds (49 million euros) in September 2008, Robinho failed to live up to his billing at Eastlands

and was even hauled off by Mancini soon after coming on as a substitute in a defeat against Everton in January.—Internet



Manchester City manager Roberto Mancini

Ex-NBA player Wright shot to death

MEMPHIS, 30 July—Former NBA big man Lorenzen Wright, whose body was found in the woods outside Memphis, was shot to death and the case is being investigated as a homicide, police said on Thursday. Police wouldn't answer questions about motive or suspects. But records indicate that Wright, 34, revered in his hometown as a generous and likable sports hero, was probably carrying a large amount of cash when he disappeared on 18 July. A court affidavit obtained by *The Associated Press* also said Wright had sold two vehicles to a man affiliated with a Memphis drug ring that's suspected in six deaths.—Internet

Ibrahimovic commits to Barcelona

MADRID, 30 July—Barcelona's Swedish striker Zlatan Ibrahimovic has put an end to speculation that he is leaving the Spanish champions, saying Thursday that he is staying put at the club. "I am a Barcelona player and I will continue to be one," the 28-year-old was

quoted by Barcelona's website as saying at a news conference in Oslo ahead of a friendly against Norwegian side Valerenga.

"The rumours have not affected me because I have not had any doubts that I want to stay. I have taken them as a compli-

ment." Ibrahimovic said Barcelona coach Pep Guardiola who told him he was "important" to him. "I will continue to work as hard as possible to maintain his confidence," he added.

Internet



FC Barcelona's Swedish forward Zlatan Ibrahimovic

Sharapova through, Peer out at Stanford WTA event

STANFORD, 30 July—Former world No. 1 Maria Sharapova reached the quarter-finals while Shahar Peer became the first seeded player to fall at the WTA Bank of the West Classic on Thursday. Fifth seeded Sharapova defeated Belarus' Olga Govortsova 6-3, 6-3 and the eighth-

seeded Victoria Azarenka beat Melanie Oudin, of the US, 6-3, 6-1 in second round action while Maria Kirilenko sent sixth-seeded Peer crashing out of the hardcourt tournament 6-4, 6-3.

"It was a sloppy first game but the rest of it was fine," Sharapova said. "I took my chances when I could." The 16th-ranked Peer lost for the fourth time in her last six matches after opening the year with an 18-5 record. "This time I decided to be a lot more aggressive," Kirilenko said.—Internet



Maria Sharapova

France meet Spain in clash of junior titans

PARIS, 30 July—Hosts France confront Spain in the final of the Under-19 European Championship in Caen, northern France on Friday, as the tournament's most eye-catching sides bid to bow out in glory. The two teams have illuminated and dominated the competition; France netting 12 goals in four matches and Spain producing performances reminiscent of the slick football that took the senior side to World Cup glory in South Africa.—Internet

Maradona's 'betrayal and liar' claims dismissed

BUENOS AIRES, 30 July—Argentina football chief Julio Grondona and team manager Carlos Bilardo have rejected accusations of deceit and betrayal levelled at them by sacked coach Diego Maradona. Maradona blamed the pair for plotting his downfall in an emotional outburst on Wednesday. "Grondona lied to me. Bilardo betrayed me," Maradona claimed, 24 hours after his colourful and controversial reign as Argentina coach came to an abrupt end.

Bilardo on Thursday dismissed the claims of the man who was part of his 1986 World Cup-winning team. "I am sure it's not him who is guilty, but his entourage. I defended and I will continue to defend Maradona to the death," he told La Red radio station. In his first public reaction to his dismissal Maradona had told a press conference that Grondona had assured him his job was safe after the 4-0 World Cup quarter-final defeat by Germany.—Internet



Photo taken on 30 July, 2010 shows a pair of unique blue-throated bee-eaters in Hong'an County of central China's Hubei Province.

XINHUA

Indonesia to host Asia Pacific special ministerial meeting on MDGs progress

JAKARTA, 30 July—Indonesia will host a special ministerial meeting to review efforts to comply with MDGs (Millennium Development Goals) among countries in Asia Pacific region on 3-4 Aug. A senior official said here on Friday.

Gafur Dharmaputra, director of Economic Development and Environment Affairs of the Foreign Ministry, told reporters that 15 of 30 Asia Pacific countries invited to attend the meeting had confirmed to send their foreign ministers and senior officials to attend the meeting.—Xinhua

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (31-7-2010) (Saturday)

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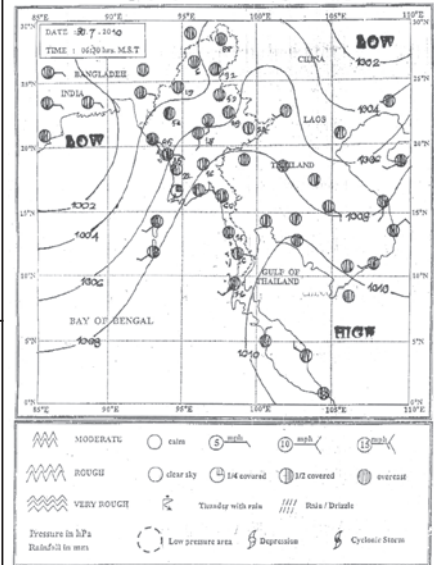
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Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Friday, 30th July, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been scattered in Yangon Division, fairly widespread in Chin and Kayah States, Mandalay and Magway Divisions and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with locally heavy falls in Mon State and isolated heavy falls in Kachin State. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Airport) (1.10)inches, Nay Pyi Taw (Yezin) (0.79)inch, Kyeikmayaw (4.09)inches, Putao (3.46)inches, Chaungzon (3.03)inches, Sittway (2.76)inches, Mawlamyine (2.52)inches, Kyauktaw (2.44) inches, Kalewa (2.20) inches, Paletwa (2.13)inches, Bhomo (2.09)inches, Zaungtu (2.01)inches, Namhsam (1.97)inches, Myingyan (1.10)inches and Magway (0.79)inch.

Maximum temperature on 29-7-2010 was 90°F. Minimum temperature on 30-7-2010 was 78°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 30-7-2010 was 71%. Total sun shine hours on 29-7-2010 was (0.9) hour.

Rainfall on 30-7-2010 was (0.12) inch at Mingaladon, (Nil) at Kaba-Aye and (0.59) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (41.42) inches at Mingaladon, (46.65) inches at Kaba-Aye and (55.90) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (6) mph from Southwest at (09:30) hours MST on 29-7-2010.

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

Forecast valid until evening of the 31st July 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be scattered in Kayah State, lower Sagaing, Mandalay and Magway Divisions, fairly in Chin and Shan States and upper Sagaing Division and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with likelihood of isolated heavy falls in Rakhine and Mon States and Taninthayi Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at times off and along Myanmar Coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35-40) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Strong Monsoon. **Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 31-7-2010:** Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 31-7-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 31-7-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Weather outlook for First weekend of August 2010: During the coming weekend, rain (or) thundershowers are isolated in Nay Pyi Taw and Mandalay Divisions and one or two rain or thundershowers in Yangon Division.

Myanmar



Saturday, 31 July
View on today

7:00

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2. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

3. Morning News

7:40 am

4. အောင်တော်မူ (စောမင်းနောင်၊ ခိုင်ညိုမင်း၊ တေးရေး- ဝိလ်ကလေးတင်အောင်)

7:50 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

8:00 am

6. ဒေသထွက်ကုန်အဖွဲ့ ဖွဲ့လေးကမ္ဘာ့ဖျိုးပုံ

8:15 am

7. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:30 am

8. Musical Programme

8:40 am

9. International News

8:45 am

11. Local Talent

11:00 am

1. Martial Song

11:10 am

2. Musical Programme

11:25 am

3. Game For Children

11:50 am

4. Round Up Of the Week's TV Local News

12:05 pm

5. Yan Can Cook

12:25 pm

6. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မပြယ်သောချစ်ခြင်း၊ မနမ်းသောမေတ္တာ" (အပိုင်း- ၂၉)

1:20 pm

7. "မြေကွာမှတ်တမ်း"

1:35 pm

8. ဂီတသံစဉ်အလှဆင်

1:50 pm

9. Dance Of National Races

2:00 pm

10. အဆိုပြိုင်ပွဲ

2:10 pm

11. "ဓမ္မဒီပိတုတ္တန်းတွဲကျွန်း"

2:50 pm

12. International News

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Musical Programme

4:25 pm

3. မြန်မာ့ဩဇာယဉ်ကျေးမှုအက

4:35 pm

4. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ် ပညာရေးရုပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ- ဒုတိယနှစ် (စာတတ်၊ ရုပ်ပေး၊ သင်္ချာအတွဲပြပွဲများ) (ရုပ်ပေး)

4:50 pm

5. Songs For Uphold National Spirit

4:55 pm

6. ကဗျာပန်းဥယျာဉ်

5:10 pm

7. Musical Programme

5:25 pm

8. ပြောင်းလဲနေသောကမ္ဘာ့ ရာသီဥတုအခြေအနေများ

6:00 pm

9. မိုးဒေဝါနှင့်မိုးဒေဝီတို့ ဖန်တီးကြသူများ (ဝိလ်ကလေးတင်အောင် စီစဉ်တင်ဆက်သည်)

5:40 pm

10. Evening News

6:15 pm

11. Weather Report

6:20 pm

12. အလှူခွာမယ်အလှူကမ္ဘာဝယ်

6:35 pm

13. ယဉ်တစ်ကိုယ်မယ်

7:00 pm

14. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "အတိတ်...ရဲ့ပုံရိပ်" (အပိုင်း- ၁)

8:00 pm

15. News

16. International News

17. Weather Report

18. လပတ်မိုးလေဝသနှင့်

- လေဝေဒေဝီနှင့် မိုးဒေဝီတို့

19. ချစ်မြင်မြင်

- (တေးဆို- ဦးစန္ဒာထွန်းနှင့်အဖွဲ့၊ တေးရေး- မောင်မောင်အေး (အလင်္ကာဝတ်ရည်))

20. ကာတွန်းအစီအစဉ်

- "တောကောင်လေး သိုင်းသိုင်းနောင်လေးများ" (အပိုင်း- ၄၆)

21. "နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ"

- "ရေဆုံးမြေဆုံး" (အပိုင်း- ၇)

22. ဂီတသံစဉ်လေးဖွင့်ပါဦး



- ★ 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

Senior General Than Shwe meets Indian Prime Minister

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July — Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe received Prime Minister of the Republic of India Dr Manmohan Singh at the Deccan Suite of Hyderabad House in New Delhi at 4.45 pm on 27 July.

They held discussions at the Conference Room.

Also present at the meeting together with Senior General Than Shwe were SPDC Member General Thura Shwe Mann, SPDC Secretary-1 General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing

of the Ministry of Defence, Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung, ministers, Myanmar Ambassador to the Republic of India U Kyi Thein and departmental heads and together with the Indian Prime Minister were Minister of Finance Mr Pranab Mukherjee, Minister of Defence Mr A K Antony, Minister of Home Affairs Mr P Chidambaram, Minister of External Affairs Mr S M Krishna, Minister of Power Mr Sushil Kumar Shinde, Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas Mr Murli Deora, Minister of Shipping Mr G K Vasan, Minister of State Mrs Preneet Kaur of the

Ministry of External Affairs, the Indian Ambassador to Myanmar and high-ranking officials. The two leaders cordially greeted each other.

They exchanged views on neighbourly relations between the two nations based on the Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence for strengthening mutual understanding and friendly relations, stability and development of border areas, enhancing bilateral cooperation in trade and economic, India-Myanmar-Thai cooperation in development of road

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Chairman of State Peace and Development Council Senior General Than Shwe holds discussions with Indian Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh at Conference Room of Hyderabad House in New Delhi.—MNA