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Applications for formation of political party scrutinized, passed

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug — The Union Election Commission is scrutinizing the groups that submitted applications for formation of political party. The UEC has found the All National Races Unity and Development Party (Kayah State) to be in accord with the Political Parties Registration Law and Rules, and thus the commission granted permission to the party to form as a political party today.

Up to date, there are 46 parties that submitted applications to form and to subsist as political parties. Forty parties that submitted applications for registration as political parties have been granted permission to register as political parties and the remaining parties are under scrutiny.

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Four political objectives

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

Four economic objectives

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

Four social objectives

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

EP No. 1 Minister inspects progress of Yeywa Hydropower Project



Minister for Electric Power No. 1 U Zaw
Min inspects Yeywa Hydropower Project.

EP-1

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug—Minister for Electric Power No. 1 U Zaw Min arrived at Yeywa Hydropower Project being implemented by No. 2 Construction near Ye-Yaman Village, 31 miles southeast of Mandalay,

yesterday evening.

From the view desk on the right bank of the embankment, the minister looked into progress of the project and overflow of water from the spillway. The

minister from the main embankment inspected inflow of water into the main dam, overflow of water from the spillway, installation of penstock steel pipeline,

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PyinOoLwin Coffee Factory satisfying demands of consumers with palatable flavour and fragrance

Although I passed PyinOoLwin five times, I missed the chance to visit the coffee factory there. Early this year, I had the opportunity to pay a visit to PyinOoLwin for a week. After visiting Pwekauk Waterfall and Peikchinmyaung Cave, I arrived at PyinOoLwin Coffee Factory.

The factory is located on 1.758 acres of land at No. 157-B near Mandalay-Lashio Highway in PyinOoLwin. Under control of Myanma Farm Inter-

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Photos: Ko Htwe

prise of Perennial and Farming Department under the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation, the factory is producing quality flavour coffee with the use of coffee seeds as raw materials.

The factory aims at producing natural coffee without chemicals for the consumers and satisfying the demands of foreign markets.

In 1930, U Ba Tu was initially engaged in

producing coffee in PyinOoLwin. At that time, the production of coffee was started through manual methods. In 1957, U Ba Tu imported two modern machines from Probat Co of the Federal Republic of Germany and established PyinOoLwin Coffee Factory to produce coffee on a commercial scale with the name of BT Brothers Co Ltd.

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Workers roasting coffee seeds at PyinOoLwin Coffee Factory.

PERSPECTIVES

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Uplift nationalistic prestige and integrity

Preservation of traditional culture is very important for a nation or a national. While safeguarding sovereignty of the nation sacrificing lives and blood, every citizen must try hard for the motherland enabling her to stand tall among the global countries.

The entire people are to cultivate nationalistic spirit to be able to protect Myanmar culture against penetration of alien ones. It is worthy of note that if the people have no capability to preserve their traditional culture, both the nation and the people would disappear.

The world today is witnessing advancement of communication technology together with globalization. Alien culture and customs are infiltrating into the nation without a break. Especially, the alien culture gradually influences music, fine arts, mode of dress, concept and lifestyles of the youths.

Decadent alien culture such as scanty dresses is unacceptable in Myanmar society. Appropriate measures need to be taken by one and all to protect own culture.

Improvement of idea and knowledge to be on a par with developing world is good for every person. However, they should not copy and practise foreign culture, fine arts and lifestyles.

Safeguarding the nationality and lineage is interrelated with prestige and value of the women. All the citizens including the youths are to uplift prestige and integrity and safeguard the traditional culture and national characters, without copying the alien culture and lifestyles.

Educative talks held at Dagon BEHS No. 2

YANGON, 5 Aug—Under the leadership of Working Group of Rehabilitation and Reintegration under Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation, the Sub-working Group for Nurturing and Resettlement and the Sub-working Group for Girl/Child jointly organized the educative talks at Basic Education High School No. 2 in Dagon Township this morning.

It was attended by members of the working groups of MWAFF, teachers and students totalling 500.

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

Mdy Mayor inspects drainage, sanitation

MANDALAY, 30 July — Chairman of Mandalay City Development Committee Mayor U Phone Zaw Han inspected the inspected condition of Shwetachaung and Ngwetachaung which have been dredged to flow properly and called



drainage system and sanitation in Mandalay on 30 July.

on proper flow in main channels and drains. The mayor also

urged officials concerned to take measures for road safety on roads.—NLM

Prof Dr Paing Soe's collected articles on book stores

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug — The book of collected health articles by Professor Dr Paing Soe is now on bookshops. President of

Myanmar Academy of Medical Science Dr U Ko Ko (Retd) claims in his recommendation the book featuring 22 articles is worthy to read between

the lines and the facts in the articles to be practiced. Trust Publishing House at No (111), 33rd Street, Kyauktada Township,

Yangon, published and distributed the book. MNA

Yangon City Guide@Yangon Bus Directory comes out

YANGON, 5 Aug — Yangon City Guide @ Yangon Bus Directory (2010) has been published, providing the travel and tourism related information to people visiting to Yangon.

The yearly publication provides visitors with a clear guide about roads, buildings, bus lines, roads, bus stops, railway stations, rivers and

townships in Yangon Division.

It also contains addresses and phone numbers of businesses and governmental offices in Yangon and Nay Pyi Taw, and schedules of highway express cars, air lines, trains, ships, tourist information etc in English.

The directory is handed out to business companies, and on sale at cost of K3500 and is available at No 114, Room-6, 50th Street, Pazundaung Township, or by calling on 295556; 397246.—MNA

All this needs to be known

- * Do not be frightened whenever intimidated
- * Do not be bolstered whenever flattered
- * Do not be softened whenever appealed

Taleban kills paramilitary police chief

PESHAWAR, 5 Aug — A Taleban suicide bomber killed the head of a US-backed paramilitary police force battling militants in northwestern Pakistan on Wednesday, one of the highest-ranking security officers ever assassinated in the country.

The bombing in Peshawar that killed Sifwat Ghayur, the head of the 25,000-strong Frontier Constabulary, was the first attack since monsoon rains triggered massive flooding over a week ago. The northwest city often targeted by the Taleban had been calm recently, but renewed violence could further strain a government already struggling

with the flood relief effort.

The bomber detonated his explosives next to Ghayur's car in the center of Peshawar after waiting at a traffic light for the vehicle to approach, said the police chief's driver, Shakirullah Khan, who was injured in the attack.

"I stopped the car at a traffic light," said Khan, who was driving Ghayur home from the office. "While my boss was sitting in the left front seat, I saw a young boy move from the sidewalk toward our car and in no time a huge explosion took place and our car was in flames."—Xinhua



A Pakistani police officer stand next to burning car of Chief of Frontier Constabulary Sifwat Ghayur after a suicide bombing in Peshawar, Pakistan on 4 Aug, 2010.—XINHUA



Flight from London in accident at Harare airport

HARARE, 5 Aug —A Boeing 767 plane from London was involved in an accident while landing at the Harare airport, reports said on Thursday.

Witnesses were quoted as saying that ambulances were headed to the scene, where smoke could be seen rising from one runway. Exact causes of the incident remain unclear yet. —Xinhua

Firefighters try to extinguish fire at a market in Kabul, Afghanistan, recently. It was not clear what caused the fire.

INTERNET

Sabah Haider, 55, is treated at a hospital after he was wounded in a car bomb attack in Kut, 100 miles (160 kilometers) southeast of Baghdad, Iraq, on 4 Aug, 2010. A car bomb ripped through an outdoor market in a mainly Shiite city southeast of Baghdad in the deadliest of a series of attacks that killed and injured scores on Tuesday, officials said.

INTERNET



Roadside bomb kills five, wounds 4 in southern Afghan province

KANDAHAR, 5 Aug —Five employees of a private construction company were killed and four others sustained injuries as a roadside bomb struck their vehicle in Afghanistan's southern Zabul province, spokesman for provincial administration Mohammad Jan Rasoulyar said Wednesday.

"The bloody incident occurred in Arghandab district on Tuesday leaving five persons dead and wounding four others, Rasoulyar told Xinhua.

All the victims, with majority of them served as guards for the company were Afghans; he further said but could not give the name of the company.

He also blamed Taleban insurgents for organizing the attack, saying it was a remote-controlled bomb planted by militants loyal to Taleban outfit.

Taleban militants have yet to make comment.

Xinhua

Roadside bomb kills nine Afghan civilians

LASHKAR GAH, 5 Aug —Nine civilians were killed as their vehicle stuck a mine planted by militants in Helmand province south of Afghanistan, spokesman for provincial administration Daud Ahmadi said on Thursday. "The bloody incident happened in Khanshin district on Wednesday leaving nine dead on the spot," Ahmadi told Xinhua.

He also added that the ill-fated people were going to the district headquarters to obtain voting card when their vehicle ran over a mine and all lost their lives. A woman is among those killed in the blast, he further said. Since

the area is far from the provincial capital and communication system is poor it is difficult to get information on time, the official further said.

Afghanistan's second parliament election in the post-Taleban country is going to be held amid tight security on 18 Sept as anti-government militants have vowed to disrupt it.

Xinhua

Afghan gypsy people who live along a railway track as heavy monsoon floods destroyed their houses, dry belongings in Pabbi, near Peshawar, Pakistan, on 4 Aug, 2010. This year's monsoon season has prompted the worst flooding in Pakistan in living memory and already killed more than 1,500 people, official said.

INTERNET



Explosion hits Afghan capital Kabul

KABUL, 5 Aug — A mine blast on Thursday morning in Afghan capital Kabul injured one civilian, a security official who declined to be named told Xinhua.

The mine was triggered by remote control at around 5:30 am nearby the Kabul stadium in the eighth district, said the official.

No group has yet to claim responsibility for the incident.

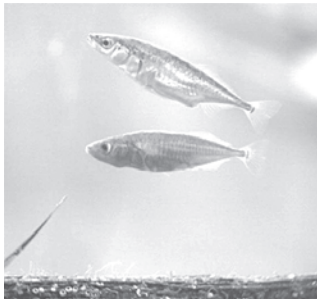
Anti-government militants have intensified their attacks in the war-torn country, including the capital amid tight security.

On 20 July, a suicide explosion rocked east of Kabul, leaving two people dead and 20 others injured.

Two days later, rockets hit Kabul while an international conference on Afghanistan was going to open in Kabul, but caused no casualties.

Xinhua

Tiny fish evolved to tolerate colder temperature in three years, study finds



Marine male (bottom) and female (top) sticklebacks.
INTERNET

SCIENCE DAILY, 5 Aug—University of British Columbia researchers have observed one of the fastest evolutionary responses ever recorded in wild populations. In as little as three years, stickleback fish developed tolerance for water temperature 2.5 degrees Celsius lower than their ancestors.

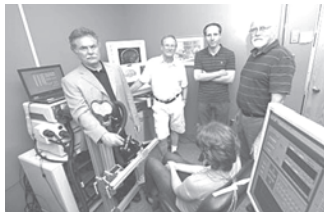
Measuring three to 10 centimetres, stickleback fish originated in the ocean but began populating freshwater lakes and streams following the last ice age. Over the past 10,000 years, marine and freshwater sticklebacks have evolved different physical and behavioural traits, making them ideal models for Darwin's natural

selection theory.

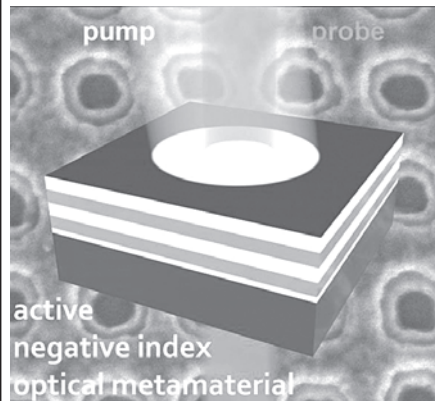
"By testing the temperature tolerance of wild and lab-raised sticklebacks, we were able to determine that freshwater sticklebacks can tolerate lower temperatures than their marine counterparts," says lead author Rowan Barrett from the UBC Department of Zoology. "This made sense from an evolutionary perspective because their ancestors were able to adapt to freshwater lakes, which typically reach colder temperatures than the ocean."

Internet

Pictured left to right are Dr. Gary Hasey, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural Neurosciences; Professor James Reilly and PhD student Ahmad Khodayari Rostamabad, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering; Prof. Hubert de Bruin, McMaster School of Biomedical Engineering. Missing: Dr Duncan MacCrimmon, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural Neurosciences.—INTERNET



Invisibility cloak advance: new findings promising for 'Transformation Optics'



This illustration shows the structure of a new device created by Purdue researchers to overcome a fundamental obstacle in using new "metamaterials" for radical advances in optical technologies, including ultrapowerful microscopes and computers and a possible invisibility cloak. The material developed by the researchers is a perforated, fishnet-like film made of repeating layers of silver and aluminum oxide.—INTERNET

WASHINGTON, 5 Aug—Researchers have overcome a fundamental obstacle in using new "metamaterials" for radical advances in optical technologies, including ultra-powerful microscopes and computers and a possible invisibility cloak.

The metamaterials have been plagued by a major limitation: too much light is "lost," or absorbed by metals such

as silver and gold contained in the metamaterials, making them impractical for optical devices.

However, a Purdue University team has solved this hurdle, culminating three years of research based at the Birck Nanotechnology Center at the university's Discovery Park.

"This finding is fundamental to the whole field of metamaterials,"

said Vladimir M Shalaev, Purdue's Robert and Anne Burnett Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering. "We showed that, in principle, it's feasible to conquer losses and develop these materials for many applications."

Internet

Science

Two satellites launched in French Guiana to serve Mideast, Africa

PARIS, 5 Aug—Two telecommunication satellites were launched into space Wednesday in French Guiana to provide services for the Middle East and Africa, local media reported.

The NILESAT 201 and the RASCOM-QAF1R satellites were lifted off by an Ariane-5 rocket from the launch center in Kourou, French Guiana, on the northeast coast of South America, according to live TV broadcast.

Both satellites were built by Thales Alenia Space with a designed life of 15 years, said the Arianespace company.

The NILESAT 201, weighing about 3,200 kg, will provide direct-to-home television broadcast services to the Middle East and North Africa for the Egyptian operator Nilesat.

The RASCOM-QAF1R, weighing some 3,000 kg, was designed to provide telecommunications in Africa for the pan-African operator RascomStar-QAF. The latest launch of Ariane-5 is the third in 2010 and the 38th successful mission in a row.—Xinhua

Technology

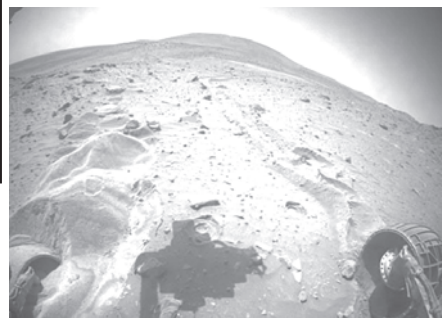
Last year, Spirit became partially embedded in the loose sand seen around its left-front wheel in this image. Mobility problems prevented getting the rover to a sun-facing tilt for the current Martian winter.—INTERNET

NASA's hibernating Mars rover may not call home

CALIFORNIA, 5 Aug—NASA mission controllers have not heard from the Mars Exploration Rover Spirit since 22 March, and the rover is facing its toughest challenge yet — trying to survive the harsh Martian winter.

The rover team anticipated Spirit would go into a low-power "hibernation" mode since the rover was not able to get to a favorable slope for its fourth Martian winter, which runs from May through November. The low angle of sunlight during these months limits the power generated from the rover's solar panels. During hibernation, the rover suspends communications and other activities so available energy can be used to recharge and heat batteries, and to keep the mission clock running.

"Instead of just listening, we send commands to the rover to respond back to us with a communications beep," said John Callas, project manager for Spirit and its twin, Opportunity, at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif. "If the rover is awake and hears us, she will send us that beep."—Internet



AOL execs, some analysts see changes taking hold



A show attendee leaves the AOL booth at the Consumer Electronics Show (CES) in Las Vegas. Internet company AOL said on 4 Aug, 2010, a \$1.4 billion accounting charge pushed the company to a \$1 billion-plus net loss in the second quarter.—INTERNET

SAN FRANCISCO, 5 Aug—AOL Inc reported a \$1 billion-plus second-quarter loss and tumbling revenue, yet the dismal-sounding numbers appear to belie a more positive reality: The troubled Internet company is actually chugging along on its long road to recovery.

AOL is in the midst of a turnaround effort under CEO Tim Armstrong, a former Google Inc executive who is trying to shift AOL from relying on a shrinking dial-up Internet business to finding growth in online ad sales.

So far, this has not been easy. Since splitting from Time Warner Inc in December, the company has shown few obvious signs of progress, and on the surface the second quarter may sound like more bad news.

On Wednesday, AOL reported \$1.4 billion in writedowns for the declining value of its assets and the sale of social networking site Bebo. The company's advertising revenue fell even faster than it did in the first three months of the year.—Internet

US State of California issues whooping cough alert

LOS ANGELES, 5 Aug—Health officials of the US State of California issued a health risk alert on Wednesday as a whooping cough epidemic is sweeping across the state.

In the first half of the year, California has seen nearly 1,500 reports of pertussis, or whooping cough, in comparison with a little more than 300 cases in the first part of 2009, according to the California Department of Public Health.

Seven California babies have died of whooping cough this year in what is called the largest outbreak in 50 years, the department said.

The department is urging residents, particularly pregnant women and those who come into contact with



infants, to make sure they're immunized for the highly contagious disease. Whooping cough can cause a barking cough that lasts for weeks, but it's treatable with antibiotics and rarely life-threatening, experts say. But in infants too young to be immunized, whooping cough can be deadly.

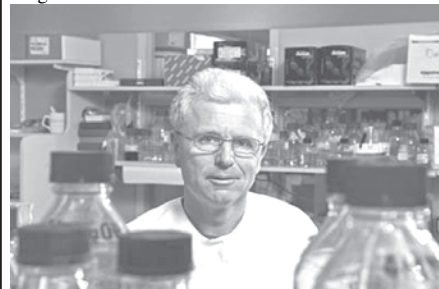
Xinhua

Missing puma gene reveals cancer conundrum

MELBOURNE, 5 Aug—Walter and Eliza Hall Institute researchers in Melbourne, Australia, have made a discovery that has upended scientists' understanding of programmed cell death and its role in tumour formation.

Programmed cell death, also called apoptosis, is an important process in human biology as it removes unwanted and damaged cells from our bodies. This process protects us against cancer development and autoimmune disease.

The research team's discovery, led by Professor Andreas Strasser from the institute's Molecular Genetics of Cancer Division, has implications for the understanding of how cancers develop and will inform the ongoing development of a new class of anti-cancer drugs called BH3 mimetics.—Internet



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INTERNET

Health



Cows stand in a field at a farm near Nairn in northern Scotland August 4, 2010. Britain's food watchdog said it had found that meat from the offspring of a cloned cow had entered the UK food chain and had been eaten, stirring controversy over whether such products are ethical.—INTERNET

Breast-feeding could save 37,000 babies a year in Bangladesh

DHAKA, 5 Aug—The lives of nearly 37,000 babies in Bangladesh would be possibly saved with starting breast-feeding within an hour of birth, the country's Health and Family Welfare Minister AFM Ruhul Haque said on Wednesday.

Referring to a report of 'Bangladesh Demographic and Health Survey', he said this while addressing at a function in capital Dhaka, marking the World Breast-feeding Week-2010.

Referring to another global research report, Haque further said the starting of breast-feeding babies within one hour of birth can save lives of some 1.2 million newborns in the world.

Meanwhile, he said every year some 120,000 newborns die in Bangladesh within 28 days of their birth due basically for malnutrition.—Xinhua

Financial reform law may not raise cost for hedge funds

NEW YORK, 5 Aug—Since US President Barack Obama signed the financial regulatory reform act into law on 21 July, many people in Wall Street have been asking whether the new law would raise cost for hedge funds. Under the Dodd-Frank Act, US investment advisors with 150 million US dollars or more will register with the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Those with assets between 25 million dollars and 150 million dollars will register with states. The registered hedge funds managers will also be required to provide the agency with certain information related to their trading.

"At this time many hedge funds are registering in any event voluntarily because many large investors, like pension funds, are asking for this," said Loren. "In fact, about half of hedge funds with assets at this level are registered."—Xinhua



Customers walk past Honda cars at the company's showroom in Tokyo. The top three automakers, Toyota, Honda and Nissan, saw quarterly profits surge on-year as the industry recovers from the lows hit in a financial crisis that forced the companies to scale back production and slash thousands of jobs.—INTERNET

Philippine conglomerate SM Investments H1 profit up 15%

MANILA, 5 Aug—The holding firm of Philippines' richest man Filipino-Chinese tycoon Henry Sy, Sr. posted a hefty profit of 8.5 billion pesos in the first half of the year. SM Investments Corp. told the Philippine Stock Exchange on Thursday that the growth of 15 percent in its net income over the same period last year mostly came from the its core businesses.

"We are pleased to report that in the first semester of 2010, SM exceeded its growth targets, as all our core businesses rode on the strength of the Philippine economy.—Xinhua

Hong Kong stocks open flat

HONG KONG, 5 Aug—Hong Kong stocks opened slightly up 27.25 points, or 0.13 percent, at 21,577.13 on Thursday.—Xinhua

Gold price opens higher in Hong Kong

HONG KONG, 5 Aug—The gold price in Hong Kong went up 8 HK dollars to open at 11,068 HK dollars per tael on Thursday, according to the Chinese Gold and Silver Exchange Society.

The price is equivalent to 1,196.33 US dollars a troy ounce, up 0.56 US dollars at the latest exchange rate of one US dollar against 7.766 HK dollars.—Xinhua

Business

Singapore, Malaysia bilateral trade up 36% in H1

SINGAPORE, 5 Aug—Bilateral trade between Singapore and Malaysia reached 52 billion Singapore dollars in the first six months of 2010, up nearly 36 percent over the same period of last year, a Singapore minister said on Thursday.

Speaking at a seminar here, Singapore's Minister for Trade and Industry Lim Hng Kiang said business linkages between Singapore and Malaysia have traditionally been strong and are set to grow even stronger.

Xinhua



An employee of Nissan checks a vehicle at the company's showroom in Yokohama, suburban Tokyo, on April 2010. The top three automakers, Toyota, Honda and Nissan, saw quarterly profits surge on-year as the industry recovers from the lows hit in a financial crisis that forced the companies to scale back production and slash thousands of jobs.

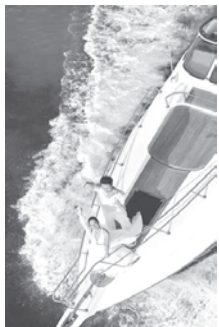
INTERNET

More couples marry at sea

BEIJING, 5 Aug—Former sailing athlete Xu Bin, 24, is now working as a sailing ship trainer and yacht driver for the St. Valentine International Sailing Club at Qingdao, Shandong province, which is known for its wedding photo services.

The club has three yachts, on which young couples can pose for their wedding photos.

"Many young people have longings for the sea and the life on the sea, which are represented by being on a yacht," Xu says. "Besides, you get beautiful scenes of the city from the sea."



Two models ride the crest of a wave during an advertising photo shoot.
XINHUA

Though charged a minimum 10,000 yuan

(\$1,475) for a photo journey on the yachts, an average of five couples line up for the service every day, almost half of which come from other cities, he says.

In 2004, group weddings were also popular at Yin Hai Yachts Marina. Now couples prefer to rent yachts to host offshore ceremonies, Xu says.

"I like the challenges on the sea," he says. "One of my friends even tells me that whenever he's puzzled in everyday life, he goes to seek answers on the sea." "And it never fails him," he adds.—Xinhua

International spotlight set to fall on Guangzhou

BEIJING, 5 Aug—As Beijing Olympic Games recede into the past, Shenzhen Universiade is on the sporting calendar for next year and China waits to receive word on its bid for the FIFA World Cup. Meanwhile, with just 100 days to go, all eyes in China are now on the Guangzhou Asian Games.

Guangzhou is the nation's second city to host the Asian Games after Beijing in 1990. As the backdrop to the 42 events scheduled in the competition, the most in the history of the Games, the city itself will be in the spotlight.

"We have 14 special and non-Olympic events in the Asian Games," said Xu Ruisheng, executive deputy secretary general of the Guangzhou Asian Games Organizing Committee and Vice-Mayor of Guangzhou. "The Asian Games provide an ideal platform for Guangzhou to promote



An artist plays the drum during a ceremony for the 100-day countdown to 16th Asian Games in Guangzhou, south China's Guangdong Province, on 4 Aug, 2010.—XINHUA

itself as a city of sport."—Xinhua

Japan's imported vehicle sales increase 56.6% on year in July

TOKYO, 5 Aug—Sales of new imported vehicles in Japan, including those produced by Japanese automakers abroad, increased 56.6 percent in July on year, marking the ninth successive month rise, the Japan Automobile Importers Association (JAIA) said in a report on Thursday.

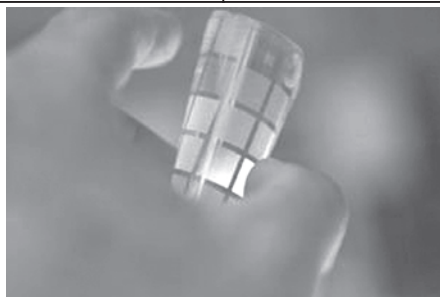
According to the industry body, sales totaled 21,683 units in the recording month, with sales of imported Japanese brands jumping from 1,535 units sold a year earlier to 6,354 units.

Sales of imported foreign-brand vehicles totaled 15,329, the association said, a rise of 24.6 percent on year.

Nissan claimed the top spot in July shifting 5,514 units, thanks to the increasing popularity of its March compact city car and Volkswagen relinquished its top position with sales of 4,874 units.

BMW, meanwhile, retained its number three spot with a 32.6 percent increase in sales totaling 2,677 units in the recoding month, JAIA said.

Xinhua



Tougher than a bullet-proof vest yet synonymous with beauty and luxury, silks spun by worms and spiders are a masterpiece of nature whose properties have yet to be fully replicated in the laboratory. But Tufts University biomedical engineers report that success in unraveling the secrets of silk is taking silk from the world of textiles to technology.—INTERNET

Families displaced by floods in S. Philippines reached 16,000

MANILA, 5 Aug—Over 16,000 families in southern Philippines were displaced following the flash flood caused by heavy downpour of rain over the past few days.

Philippines' National Disaster Coordinating Council (NDCC) on Thursday said this is roughly equivalent to 80,000 people from the three towns of Sultan Kudarat, Pagalungan and Datu Montawal in Maguindanao province affected by the flash flood, while at least 804 hectares of farm crops have been destroyed.

There were no reported fatalities yet, the NDCC said, but added that it is closely monitoring the situation and preparing for mass evacuation of the affected residents if the situation worsens.

Xinhua

About 130 human anthrax cases reported in Russian Siberia

MOSCOW, 5 Aug—About 130 people have been hospitalized in an apparent anthrax outbreak in Russia's Siberian city of Omsk, the regional Health Ministry said on Tuesday. The ministry said 83 of those being treated may have been infected while processing meat infected by the deadly disease.

Experts say some of the infected meat may have already reached grocery shelves.

The incident followed an anthrax outbreak in Omsk last Saturday that resulted in the death of a local resident.

Two human anthrax cases were confirmed in the outbreak, with another four suspected cases awaiting test results.

Anthrax spores can occur naturally in soil and can remain dormant for years.

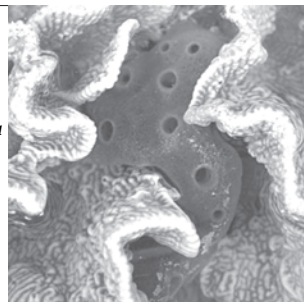
Drought, wind or floods expose the spores and they can be ingested when livestock graze close to the ground. Vaccines can protect livestock.—Xinhua

Genome of ancient sponge reveals origins of first animals, cancer

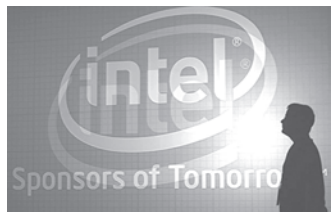
CALIFORNIA, 5 Aug—The sponge, which was not recognized as an animal until the 19th century, is now the simplest and most ancient group of animals to have their genome sequenced.

In a paper appearing in the August 5 issue of the journal Nature, a team of researchers led by Daniel Rokhsar of the University of California, Berkeley, and the Department of Energy's Joint Genome Institute (JGI), report the draft genome sequence of the sea sponge *Amphimedon queenslandica* and several insights the genome gives into the origins of both the first animals and cancer.—Internet

This is an adult sponge of the species *Amphimedon queenslandica* living with an octocoral off Australia's Great Barrier Reef.
INTERNET



Intel settles antitrust charges with FTC



WASHINGTON, 5 Aug—The US Federal Trade Commission (FTC) said on Wednesday that it has reached settlement with Intel Corp., the world's leading computer chip maker, on charges that the company illegally used its dominant market position for a decade to stifle competition and strengthen its monopoly.

"Intel has agreed to provisions that will open the door to renewed competition and prevent Intel from suppressing competition in the future,"

the government agency with consumer protection and competition jurisdiction said in a statement.

"This case demonstrates that the FTC is willing to challenge anticompetitive conduct by even the most powerful companies in the fastest-moving industries," said FTC Chairman Jon Leibowitz.

"By accepting this settlement, we open the door to competition today and address Intel's anticompetitive conduct in a way that may not have been available in a final judgment years from now," he added.

In addition, the company can't retaliate against computer makers if they do business with non-Intel suppliers by withholding benefits from them.

Internet

Police launch probe after children die in flat blast

LONDON, 5 Aug—Police launched a criminal investigation on Wednesday into the deaths of three young children in an explosion at a block of flats in Edinburgh.

The children were found after the blast in the Scottish capital at around 3:00 pm and a woman believed to be their mother was taken to hospital after witnesses saw her jump from the balcony of the third-floor flat.

It was initially thought the youngsters — two boys and a girl —

were killed by a gas blast but Edinburgh police said there was no fault with the supply.

“A criminal investigation is currently under way and nothing more can be said at this time into the circumstances which led to their deaths,” said a police spokesman.

The details of the victims would not be released until post-mortem examinations had been carried out, said police.

Xinhua



Policemen of public security border defence line up during a gathering to vow for the security mission of 16th Asian Games in Guangzhou, south China's Guangdong Province, 4 Aug, 2010. Aug. 4 is the 100-day countdown to the Asian Games.—XINHUA

Three suffer minor injuries after jet evacuation at O'Hare airport in Chicago

CHICAGO, 5 Aug — Three people were being treated for minor injuries after passengers were evacuated from a United Airlines jet at O'Hare International Airport in Chicago on Wednesday afternoon as fire crews extinguished a small fire in the aircraft's brake assembly, Chicago Tribune reported.

Emergency slides were deployed from United Flight 949 from London's Heathrow Airport and passengers

were escorted to the terminal, said company spokesman Mike Trevino. There were 178 passengers and 12 crew members on the Boeing 767, he said.

Three people were slightly hurt as they exited the plane, said a Chicago Fire Department spokesman. He said two of the victims, both women, suffered ankle injuries and a man complained of chest discomfort. All three were taken to a local

hospital.

He said that all but 20 people aboard needed to be evacuated, adding that the tires were inflated and the plane was being towed.

The plane had been scheduled to arrive about 3:19 pm local time but landed closer to 4 pm.

Police said emergency evacuations were halted after firefighters quickly extinguished the fire.

Xinhua

Artists perform martial arts during a ceremony for the 100-day countdown to 16th Asian Games in Guangzhou, south China's Guangdong Province, 4 Aug, 2010.—XINHUA



Two dead as gunmen open fire inside bus in S Philippines

MANILA, 5 Aug—Two people were killed while another was wounded when gunmen opened fire in a passenger bus in

southern Philippines early on Thursday, police said.

The fatalities included the driver and the conductor of the Rural Transit Mindanao Incorporated bus plying Mindanao's Lanao del Sur province, said local police chief Senior Inspector Antonio Ebot.

The suspects boarded the bus as it pulled up at the terminal in Wao town, and one of the suspects then pulled out a gun

and fired at the driver who tried to resist but was hit in the head, much to the horror of the passengers.

“The suspects also shot the conductor and the onboard bus inspector,” Ebot said, adding the latter sustained gunshot wound in the face but survived. The suspects then fled. The police official said an investigation is now being launched by local authorities.—Xinhua



Photo taken on 4 Aug, 2010 shows the spot of the final assembly of the Seagull 300 light multi-functional amphibious plane from the production line in Shijiazhuang, capital of north China's Hebei Province. The Seagull 300, the first of its kind in China to have independent intellectual property rights, is going through test flight before its maiden flight in the latter part of Aug, 2010.

XINHUA

Cambodia reports 88 lightning deaths

PHNOM PENH, 5 Aug—Cambodian government said Thursday that 88 people, mostly in rural areas — have died of lightning strikes.

A communication officer of National Committee of Disaster Management said that by the end of July, there were 88 people have died in lightning strikes. However, he said, the figure is still less than that in the same period last year as 110 died of lightning incidents. By mid June this year, Cambodia recorded only 48 deaths by lightning.

For several occasions, Cambodia's PM Hun Sen has alerted and made an appeal to public to take more precaution, saying the lightning seemed fiercer in recent years. The report file by the NCDM showed that the total figure of deaths last year was recorded at 140 and 95 deaths were recorded in 2008.

Xinhua



A French student practices massage in Shenyang, capital of Liaoning Province, Aug on 4, 2010. A total of ten French students came to Shenyang on Wednesday, and they will spend two weeks to learn traditional Chinese Medicine such as acupuncture and massage from Chinese doctors.

XINHUA

34 poisoned after chemical leak in south China

NANNING, 5 Aug—A total of 34 villagers fell ill after poisonous gas leaked from a chemical plant in south China's Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, said local authorities Thursday.

Some Titanium tetrachloride, a gas with pungent odor, leaked Tuesday night from Guinan Titanium Co., Ltd in Daoshui Township of Wuzhou City, when the workers were cleaning the equipment, said a statement from the city government.

Thirty-four people in the nearby Fuwan Village were rushed to the town's hospital after inhaling the gas, said the statement.

By Thursday, 24 villagers had been discharged from hospital, said the statement, while 10 others had been transferred to the Wuzhou City Workers' Hospital.

“They were in a stable condition,” said Huang Zhihong, head of the hospital.

Xinhua

Children play Chinese traditional music instruments called guzheng at an music exhibition in Beijing, on 3 Aug, 2010. Dozens of domestic and international companies took part in an exhibition in Beijing under the theme of music culture.—XINHUA



Commander attends work coord meeting

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug — Chairman of Rakhine State Peace and Development Council Commander of Western Command Maj-Gen Thaung Aye addressed the work coordination meet-

ing at the meeting hall of Rakhine State PDC Office in Sittway on 28 July.

After hearing reports on region-wise work progress presented by officials, the commander gave instructions on re-

gional development task.

The commander proceeded to Kyaybingyi ward and inspected cleaning and beautifying of jetty, maintenance of bridge and berthing of vessels.

MNA

English Proficiency Course of EP-2 concludes

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug — Minister for Electric Power No. 2 U Khin Maung Myint attended the concluding ceremony of English Proficiency Course No. 4/2010 at the

ministry here yesterday.

It was also attended by Deputy Minister Dr Win Myint, expert Dr San Oo, departmental heads, officials and 30 trainees.

The minister delivered an opening speech and presented completion certificates to a leader of trainees and awards to outstanding trainees.

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EP No. 1 Minister inspects progress...

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construction of power station and progress of tailrace channel & switchyard slope protection.

After that, the minister and party viewed generating electricity from No. 1 and No. 2 generators at the power station, preparations for installing the rotor at No. 3 generator, progress of stator works at No. 4 generator and transmitting electricity from No. 1 and No. 2 generators to the control room through computer

system.

At the access gallery of the main dam, the minister inspected **installation of a thermocouple for measuring temperature of RCC dam instruments affected by dehydration, installation of piezometer, putting jointmeter in the embankment to indicate the gap among the blocks and their movements, installation of plumb line for controlling the embankment in storing water, fixing the rockmeter for determining the movement of cornerstones, installation of clinometer for measuring tilting of embankment and fitting geodetic survey machines at the dam for detecting the movement of**

embankment.

The minister stressed the need to assign duties to the staff groups for checking inflow of water at the dam with the use of machinery round the clock and put it on record.

Yeywa Hydropower Project installed with four 197.5-megawatt generators as 790 megawatts generating capacity will produce 3550 million kilowatt hours on average yearly. At present, No. 1 and No. 2 generators of the four are in operation. In addition, installation of No. 3 generator will be complete in the near future.

MNA

PyinOoLwin Coffee Factory satisfying demands of consumers with palatable flavour and fragrance

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In 1965, the coffee factory and coffee farms were nationalized. In 1968, it was put under control of Myanmar Foodstuff Corporation of the Ministry of Industry-1 in producing coffee with the brand of Swan-oak.

In December 1994, the Ministry of Industry-1 handed over the factory to Myanmar Farms Enterprise under the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation to produce Shwe-Chinthay (Golden Lion) brand coffee.

PyinOoLwin Coffee Factory is in

operation with the use of modern machinery. Mainly, it produces Pure Coffee and French Coffee. The factory can make production of 300,000 pounds of pure coffee or 200,000 pounds of French coffee yearly.

Pure Coffee is for those of strong coffee crazy and French Coffee for those who do not like Caffeine included in the coffee.

Raw coffee is purchased from the coffee farm of the department and private ones. To satisfy the chicory demand of the factory, chicory seeds were distributed to the coffee farm of the department and

local coffee growers.

A total of 300,000 pounds of pure coffee can be produced with the use of 180 tons of coffee seeds quality level (1). To produce 200,000 pounds of French coffee, the factory uses 72 tons of coffee seeds and 60 tons of dried chicory.

PyinOoLwin Coffee Factory is producing 150,000 pounds of coffee yearly. In 2008-2009, the factory produced 12,000 pounds of Pure Coffee and 81,260 pounds of



A worker at grinding machine of PyinOoLwin Coffee Factory.



A worker produces coffee through quality packaging system.

to their being quality coffee without any mixed materials. The officials at different levels of the factory and workers are trying hard to sustain their success in producing various sorts of fragrant coffee and striving for sales promotion with the quality packaging system. A cup of coffee served by PyinOoLwin Coffee Factory was unforgettable for me.

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Packets of Golden Lion brand coffee produced by PyinOoLwin Coffee Factory.

Tatmadaw coffee. In 2009-2010 (up to November 2009), the factory manufactured 6428

pounds of Pure Coffee, 2468 pounds of French Coffee and 31576 pounds of Tatmadaw coffee.

Products of the factory with the brand of Golden Lion win the satisfaction of consumers due

Commander's Shield Chess Contest commences



Commander Maj-Gen Wai Lwin addresses opening of Commander's Shield Chess Contest.

MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug—Commander of May-Gen Wai Lwin on 2 August attended the opening ceremony of Com-

mander's Shield Chess Contest at No. 7 Transit Centre.

Senior military officers, officers and other ranks of regiments and units and contestants were also present at the ceremony.

After making opening speech, the commander opened the contest and enjoyed competing of chess players. He then cordially greeted the players.—MNA

Minister inspects waterway transport services in Minbya, Pauktaw Townships

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug—Minister for Transport U Thein Swe heard reports on preventive measures against bank erosion, work progress and causes of bank erosions presented by an official of Directorate of Water Resources and Improvement of River Systems at the office of township Peace and Development Council in Minbya on 1 August.

Next, the minister inspected preventive measures against bank erosion and progress of retaining walls on Strand Road in Minbya and gave necessary instructions.

On his way to Myebon from Minbya by boat, the minister looked into berthing of vessels at the jetty, water course at the entrance to Myebon

and condition of jetty, office of Inland Water Transport in Myebon and arrival and departure of vessels and called for more convenience of passengers and safety measures.

At Pauktaw, the minister oversaw IWT Office and maintenance of jetty, water course and running of passenger vessels and gave necessary instructions.—MNA



Chairman of Township Election Subcommission U Khin Maung Soe, member U Hla Aye and Chairman of No. 12 Ward Election Subcommission U Aung Thaung formally open signboard of No. 12 Ward Election Subcommission Office in Shwepyitha Township on 1 August.—TOWNSHIP IPRD

DBE-2 D-G inspects basic education schools

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug—Director-General U Aye Lwin of No. 2 Department of Basic Education made an inspection tour of basic education schools in Bawhsaing, Aungpan, Pindaya, Kalaw, Hopong, Taunggyi and Nyaungshwe townships in Shan State (South) from 2 to 4 August.

While in Kalaw and Taunggyi

townships, the director-general met educational staff and explained six points of educational guidance given by the Head of State.

He instructed the officials to make preparations for raising the pass rate of the schools in matriculation examination in 2009-2010 academic year and attended to the needs.—MNA

Cash and kind donated to self-reliant libraries in Shan State (East)

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug—A ceremony to donate cash to the trust fund, to buy furniture and books to self-reliant libraries in Shan State (East) was held at the city hall in Kengtung on 1 August morning.

Chairman of Shan State (East) Peace and Development Council Commander of Triangle Region Command Maj-Gen Kyaw Phyto delivered an address and accepted cash and kind donated by wellwishers.

The commander handed over the donations to officials.—MNA

Universities' Men's Volleyball Tournament begins

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug—The Universities' Men's Volleyball Tournament kicked off at the gymnasium of Patheingyi University on 2 August morning, with an address by Chairman of Ayeyawady Division Peace and Development Council Commander of South-West Command Maj-Gen Kyaw Swe.

The commander formally opened the tournament.

He also attended the launching of nutrition week activities of Ayeyawady Division.

After the ceremony, the commander presented vitamin tablets to expectant mothers and vitamin capsules to children.—MNA

Applications invited for University of Medicine Scholarship Award

YANGON, 5 Aug—The needy students with eligible marks to pursue medical education at Universities of Medicine, after passing the matriculation examination held in March 2010, may submit application of scholarship awards to Yazar Lin University of Medicine Scholarship Award sponsored by wellwisher U Aye Kyaw-Daw Aye Aye Myint of Yazar Lin family.

The applicants

must be eligible to attend the 1st MB of University of Medicine-1 (Yangon), University of Medicine-2 (Yangon), Mandalay University of Medicine and Magway University of Medicine in 2010-2011 academic year.

Stipends will be provided monthly to the scholarship award winning students from the 1st MB to the graduation in line with the prescribed rules.

The students must submit

the applications, original endorsements of the respective police stations and respective school heads, copy of mark list, two passport sized photos and own admission for the applicant, parents or guardians free from party politics to No. 50 on 3rd Kanyeiktha Street, Finger Lake, FMI City, Hlinethaya Township, Yangon, not later than 30 October.

MNA



The opening ceremony of two-storey building of Affiliated Basic Education Primary School in progress in Dayebyu Village of Labutta Township on 24 July. (News on page 16)—TOWNSHIP IPRD

10 missing after Indonesian ships collide



Photo shows Indonesian Navy crew conducting a search in the Makassar Strait.—XINHUA

MAKASSAR, 5 Aug—Up to 10 people were feared dead after two cargo ships collided in Indonesian waters, an official and survivors said Thursday.

The Trisal Pratama, carrying 2,000 tonnes of cement, sank after it collided with the Indimatam, loaded with scrap metal, in the Makassar Strait early

Wednesday morning, the official said. Makassar port chief Afrianus Tapangan said eight crew members were missing, while survivors said two passengers including a young child were also unaccounted for.

Ten crew and a passenger were rescued from the sinking Trisal, Tapangan said.

“Without floating devices and life jackets, I fear that the missing people could be dead by now,” he said. The Indonesian archipelago of more than 17,000 islands is heavily dependent on maritime services, but its safety record is poor and fatal accidents are common.

Up to 335 people were killed when a heavily overloaded ferry sank off Sulawesi island in January last year.

Xinhua

Man detained after three die in E China kindergarten attack

ZIBO, 5 Aug—Police have detained a man who allegedly killed at least three children in a kindergarten knife attack Tuesday in east China's Zibo City, Shandong Province, said a statement from the city government Wednesday.

Fang Jiantang, 26, self-employed, who was detained within hours of the attack, had admitted to police that he was responsible, said the statement.

Three children died at the scene, while three other children and four teachers were injured and taken to hospital, it said.

The conditions of two teachers were described as serious and the others were all stable, the statement said.

Fang said he had used a 60-centimeter long knife in the attack and police had found the murder weapon, said the statement.

The motive of the attack was not immediately known. The investigation is continuing. —Xinhua

Saltwater crocodile with spurs found in Australia

CANBERRA, 5 Aug—A saltwater crocodile on Thursday found in the Australia's Northern Territory has been described as a “freak of nature”.

The half-meter long reptile has sharp spurs protruding from the underside of its back legs. The five millimeter-long spurs connect to a bone stemming from the crocodile's ankle joint.

“I don't know whether a croc's been playing up with a platypus or not, but it looks a bit funny, I reckon,” crocodile hunter and taxidermist Mick Pittman told The Australian on Thursday.

“I've never seen anything like it.”

Pittman, known as “Crocodile Mick”, said he and his family have been in the crocodile industry for 53 years.

He thinks the spurs might be mutant toes. “I reckon the way it was sitting on his leg, it would have to hinder his existence,” he said.

“He would have to be scratching himself all the time when he was walking. You can't see any real use for it. It's just a freak of nature.”

Dr Grahame Webb from Crocodylus Park in Darwin said the spurs are extremely rare.

Xinhua

Caroline Giuliani,
daughter of former
mayor Rudolph
Giuliani.
INTERNET



Villagers at
Xijiang, Guizhou
province, stage a
grand show of
their history
featuring brilliant
folk attire and rich
customs at the
central square.

INTERNET



Training plane crashes in N Philippines

MANILA, 5 Aug—A two-seater plane crashed at the Loakan Airport in Baguio City, north Philippines, on Thursday morning, but the two pilots on board were unhurt, local media reported.

Captain Benhur Gomez, owner of the Cessna plane that crashed, said in a radio interview, the two people aboard the plane were “licensed pilots going into commercial pilot training.”

The crashed plane was one of the three aircraft that was flown by student pilots for their commercial flight training.

Gomez assured the public that the two pilots were not harmed in the incident, and that it was not uncommon for such accidents to happen during training.

Xinhua

Daughter of ex-NY mayor Giuliani arrested for shoplifting

NEW YORK, 5 Aug—A 20-year-old daughter of former New York mayor Rudolph Giuliani was arrested for shoplifting in a Manhattan cosmetics store, local media said Wednesday.

Employees of a beauty supply store in Manhattan's Upper East Side stopped Caroline Giuliani after she was

seen snatching something from a store stand, the New York Post reported.

She was arrested and taken to Manhattan's 19th Precinct police station for processing.

A student at Harvard University, Caroline is the youngest of Giuliani's two daughters.

Giuliani was credited with reducing crime in New York during his 1994-2001 tenure as mayor. He was especially praised for his inspiring response to the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks in the closing months of his administration.

Internet

Two die in barn collapses at Ohio's biggest egg farm

CROTON, 5 Aug — Winds reaching 70 mph knocked over three barns being renovated Wednesday at the state's largest egg farm, killing two workers, authorities said.

Two construction workers who were laying concrete blocks at Ohio Fresh Eggs were killed in one of the barns, said Bill Schwaderer, a spokesman for the Ohio Department of Agriculture. Three other workers escaped with minor injuries.

Authorities blamed the barn collapses on high winds. The National Weather Service said the area, about 25 miles northeast of Columbus, was hit by a line of strong thunderstorms with

winds estimated at 60 to 70 mph.

Strong winds also blew down a 10-foot-high brick wall at a school construction site in Edgerton, near the

Ohio-Indiana state line, killing a worker, and knocked three semi-trailers onto their sides on a highway in central Ohio.

Internet

Firemen survey the scene of a building collapse at Ohio

Fresh Eggs farm where two people were killed

Wednesday, 4 Aug, 2010, in Columbus, Ohio.

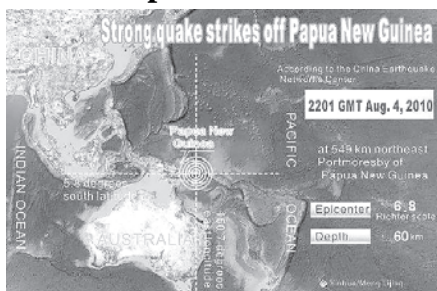
INTERNET





This aerial view shows a flood-hit area of Kot Addu, Pakistan on 4 Aug, 2010. Floodwaters ravaged hundreds of villages in Pakistan's main province of Punjab Wednesday, destroying homes, soaking crops, and threatening more lives. Aid workers warned that bloated rivers would soon surge into the country's south, prompting more evacuations.—INTERNET

6.8-magnitude earthquake hits Papua New Guinea



Graphics shows a powerful earthquake with a magnitude of 6.8 rocked Papua New Guinea on 2201 GMT of 5 Aug, 2010, according to the China Earthquake Networks Center.

XINHUA

BEIJING, 5 Aug—An earthquake measuring 6.8 on the Richter scale jolted Papua New Guinea at 6:01 a.m. Thursday Beijing time, according to China's Earthquake Networks Center.

The epicenter, with a depth of 60 kilometers, was located at 5.8 degrees south latitude and 150.7 degrees east longitude.

Xinhua

Hit-and-run truck driver stands trial for murder in Shaanxi

Xi'AN, 5 Aug—A Chinese driver who killed four teenage students in a hit-and-run accident last year has been tried for murder in his home province of Shaanxi in northwest China, local court officials said on Thursday. Wang Shuangwa, 42, stood trial at the Intermediate People's Court of Xi'an, the provincial capital, Wednesday but the court is yet to hand down a ruling.

Wang's fully-loaded truck hit five students on their way to school in Chang'an District in the suburbs of Xi'an early in the morning on Feb. 10, 2009. Wang claimed he had dozed off

and did not notice the collision.

However the prosecution said Wang was aware of the accident and instead of checking the victims, he fled the scene and destroyed all evidence of his crime by changing the tires and cleaning up the blood off the vehicle.

Four of the students, aged from 13 to 15, died and another was seriously injured. Wang's son, who was 17 when the accident happened, was also in the truck and helped destroy the evidence, according to the prosecution.

Xinhua

Pakistan's Sindh province braces for floods

SUKKUR, 5 Aug—Pakistan's biggest floods in 80 years threaten to inflict widespread suffering in Sindh province after the unpopular government failed millions of people ravaged by the disaster in other parts of the country.

Raging waters have spread from the northwest to the Punjab agricultural heartland and then down to the southern province of Sindh, as Pakistanis watched villages collapse, thousands of people drown, and their president leave for

state visits abroad at the height of the disaster. Officials in Sindh, home to Pakistan's biggest city and commercial hub Karachi, are scrambling to prevent heavy loss of life and more destruction to the mainstay agriculture industry.

So far, the floods have killed more than 1,600 people and officials said the toll was likely to climb. More than 4 million have also lost their livelihoods and homes.

MNA/Reuters

Murder rate in Rio reaches 20-year low

RIO DE JANEIRO, 5 Aug—Murder rate in Brazil's Rio de Janeiro state reached a 20-year low in the first half of 2010, the state's security chief announced on Wednesday.

In the first six months of this year, 2,566 murders were registered in the state, a drop of 20 percent compared to the first half of 2009. The 2010 figures represent a rate of 15 murders per 100,000 inhabitants, the lowest since 1991, said security chief Jose Mariano Beltrame.

In the month of June, the number of murders registered in Rio de Janeiro state fell 20.9 percent, from 439 to 347.

Beltrame said other crimes declined as well. The number of

auto thefts in the state fell from 1,968 cases to 1,701 in June, a drop of 13.5 percent. Mugging fell 18.8 percent, from 7,845 cases to 6,369.

The number of policemen killed on duty in the state was down 65 percent in the first six months of 2010, from 23 to eight.

Beltrame attributed the lower figures to the public security policy implemented in the state a year ago. He said increased investments in the police, the implementation of Peacemaking Police Units in several shanty towns which were controlled by drug dealers, and the rise in the number of arrests led to the decrease in murders.

Xinhua



A traveler walks past posters of the new Hong Kong tobacco regulations in Hong Kong, south China, on 4 Aug, 2010. New Hong Kong tobacco regulations came into effect on 1 Aug, under which travelers entering Hong Kong are allowed to bring in not more than 19 duty-free cigarettes, and each extra stick will be taxed at 1.20 HK dollars plus import license fee.

XINHUA

Members of the Russian summer camp to China have fun at beach in Dalian, northeast China's Liaoning Province, on 4 Aug, 2010. Some 300 Russian students arrived in Dalian Wednesday for a four-day tour as part of the ten-day summer camp to China invited by Chinese President Hu Jintao.

XINHUA



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

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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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A model displays a smartphone operating with Google's mobile operating system Android. NPD Group has reported that smartphones running on the web giant's software unseated BlackBerry devices as top-sellers in the United States during the second quarter of the year.—INTERNET

Seven puppies die after American Airlines flight

FORT WORTH, 5 Aug—Seven puppies died after flying in the cargo hold of an American Airlines jet. American said it contacted the shipper who put the puppies on a Tuesday morning flight from Tulsa, Okla. to Chicago, and is investigating further. Airline spokeswoman Mary Frances Fagan said on Wednesday the shipper put 14 puppies aboard Flight 851, which was scheduled to leave Tulsa at 6:30 am but was delayed an hour by storms in Chicago.

American said on its website it won't carry warm-blooded animals if the actual or forecast temperature is above 85 degrees. As the plane sat on the tarmac in Tulsa, it was already 86 degrees before 7 am, according to the National Weather Service. Fagan said cargo holds carrying animals are routinely kept between 50 and 70 degrees. Baggage handlers taking the puppies to a kennel area at O'Hare Airport grew concerned because they looked lethargic. Employees tried to cool down the dogs, and they were taken to a vet's office, but five died initially and two others died later, Fagan said.—Internet

Scientists forecast nine more Atlantic hurricanes, five big ones

MIAMI, 5 Aug — The forecast for the 2010 Atlantic hurricane season calls for nine more hurricanes by November, including five major ones with winds topping 178

kilometres (110 miles) per hour, a Colorado State University study said on Wednesday. The predictions for a "much more active than average" June-November hurricane sea-

son includes 18 named tropical storms, three of which—Alex, Bonnie and Colin—have already hit the region between June and August.

The predictions by CSU scientists Philip Klotzbach and William Gray confirm an earlier study that called for 10 hurricanes this season—Alex became a hurricane with 150 kilometres (93 miles) per hour winds and struck Mexico's eastern shores on 1 July. With 18 tropical storms predicted, the 2010 season would best the average 9.6 tropical storms and 5.9 hurricanes recorded this past century, the study said.

Internet



Baja California, Mexico as a hurricane approaches in 2006. The forecast for the 2010 Atlantic hurricane season calls for nine more hurricanes by November, including five major ones with winds topping 178 kilometres (110 miles) per hour, a Colorado State University study said Wednesday.—INTERNET

Houston woman delivers healthy quintuplets

HOUSTON, 5 Aug — A Houston-area woman has given birth to quintuplets and doctors say they are optimistic the three boys and two girls will all survive.

Veronica Real-Mayorga delivered Aaron, Isaac, Priscilla, Joel and Matilde Saturday, 30 weeks into her pregnancy, with birth weights ranging from 2 1/2 pounds to nearly 4 pounds — appreciably more than quintuplets typically weigh at birth — the *Houston Chronicle* reported.

"They're all so precious," Real-Mayorga said. "To expect smaller babies and then have them this size makes me feel truly blessed."

The babies' neonatologist said the infants still face challenges but haven't experienced any of the complications low-birth weight babies often encounter in the first 90 hours after delivery. Dr Ursula Nawab credited a healthy and problem-free pregnancy, saying Real-Mayorga carried the babies at least two weeks longer than most mothers carrying five or more babies usually do.

Internet

Dog chews off Michigan man's toe, saves his life

DETROIT, 5 Aug — A Michigan man credited his dog with saving his life by chewing off his diseased big toe as he lay passed out in a drunken stupor. Jerry Douthett, 48, woke up on a Saturday night in late July in his Rockford, Michigan home to find his Jack Russell Terrier, Kiko, had gnawed off his right big toe.

"The dog always lays with me on the bed," said Douthett. "That night, I woke up and looked down at my foot, and it was wet. When I looked it was blood, and there was the dog looking at me with a blood mustache."

Douthett's wife, Rosee, rushed him to a hospital where doctors found he was suffering from Type 2 diabetes. His toe was badly infected and surgeons amputated the remainder of the digit. Douthett's wife, a registered nurse, had been urging him for weeks to have his infected toe examined by a doctor.

On the night Kiko ate his toe, Douthett said he had been out with his wife and drank about "six or seven beers" and a pair of giant margaritas "big enough to put goldfish in."

Internet



A Brown Pelican flies at the Pelican Harbor Seabird Station as the center prepares to transfer the birds after they were rehabilitated from the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico in Florida. An end to the Gulf of Mexico oil disaster was in sight Wednesday as BP plugged its runaway well and US officials said most of the toxic crude has been cleaned up or dispersed.—INTERNET



Two hippopotamuses are seen in a zoo in Changsha, capital of central China's Hunan Province, on 4 Aug, 2010.

Rowers break record crossing Atlantic

It took 43 days, but a rowing team has broken the record for crossing the North Atlantic from New York to Britain's Isles of Scilly.

The British-led team paddled an 18-foot long wooden boat called the "Fox" 3,500 miles, through storms and 40-

foot waves from New York to the Isles of Scilly. The Sunday Telegraph reported.

The previous record was set in 1896, taking 55 days. "We are all really exhausted; it's been a helter skelter trip," said skipper Leven Brown, 37. "It was very punishing on

the body. We had two capsizes and two men thrown overboard."

The four-man crew also set a 24-hour record of 118 miles on July 14, breaking a 2008 record of 118 miles, the Telegraph reported. Brown was a member of that crew as well.

Laura Dekker of the Netherlands waves to well wishers as she sails her boat Guppy out of the harbour of Den Osse on 4 Aug, 2010. Dekker, 14, sets sail for Portugal on Wednesday, after winning a year-long battle with child welfare authorities worried over her ambition to become the youngest person to sail the globe solo. Laura will depart from the southwestern Netherlands on her 11.5-metre ketch Guppy, sailing initially with her father to complete final preparations before starting the official solo part of her journey.

"Plastic Garden" of Korean arts

An upcoming large-scale exhibition of contemporary South Korean art, "Plastic Garden," shows cases spectacular works in plastic, as well as paintings, photography, video

and installation (a lot of plastic).

The show, subtitled "Korean Contemporary Art," opens on Saturday at the Minsheng Art Museum and runs through September 12.

The show features 64 works by 17 artists,

including several celebrated masters. The curator is Yun Cheagab, who is familiar with Korean art and lives in Beijing and Seoul.

The best-known artist is probably Choi Jeonghwa, whose colorful plastic public art is familiar in Shanghai. He created the dynamic colorful tree with formidable "flowers" in the lawn beneath the Yan'an Elevated Road.

1962 glass could be Corning's next bonanza seller

An ultra-strong glass that has been looking for a purpose since its invention in 1962 is poised to become a multibillion-dollar bonanza for Corning Inc.

The 159-year-old glass pioneer is ramping up production of what it calls Gorilla glass, expecting it to be the hot new face of touch-screen tablets and high-end TVs.

Gorilla showed early promise in the '60s, but failed to find a commercial use, so it's been biding its time in a hilltop research lab for almost a half-century. It

picked up its first customer in 2008 and has quickly become a \$170 million a year business as a protective layer over the screens of 40 million-plus cell phones and other mobile devices.



A plastic artwork by Choi Jeonghwa

News Album



Piracy forces Taylor Swift to rush out new single

LOS ANGELES, 5 Aug—Country-pop starlet Taylor Swift's record label was forced to release the first single from her upcoming album 12 days ahead of schedule on Wednesday, hours after a bootleg version appeared online. Big Machine Records said in a statement that the MP3 file of "Mine" was "low-quality," and it wanted fans to hear the single in its proper form via iTunes and country radio. It was not immediately known who was responsible for the leak.

Swift's third album, "Speak Now," remains on course for a worldwide release on 25 October. It marks the follow-up to her album of the year Grammy winner "Fearless," which has sold 5.95 million copies in the United States and currently sits at No. 45 on the pop album chart in its 90th week.

Internet



A music festival is held in the ancient county of Fenghuang, central China's Hunan Province, on 4 Aug, 2010. The festival attracted musicians from 30 countries and regions. The shows will be performed on an ancient opera stage affiliated to an ancestral hall.—XINHUA

First ladies high on Vanity Fair Int'l Best-Dressed List for 2010

BEIJING, 5 Aug—Vanity Fair magazine released its International Best-Dressed List for 2010 this week with first

ladies becoming the favorites.

US Michelle Obama, France's Carla Bruni-Sarkozy and the United Kingdom's Samantha Cameron are all on the top.

"Michelle Obama plays a very important role in fashion right now," Amy Fine Collins, Vanity Fair special correspondent said, "Carla Bruni-Sarkozy has a sexier, sultrier look. And Samantha Cameron is the first visibly pregnant first lady we've had on the list." Vanity Fair sent ballots to thousands of people



Diane Kruger

around the world, who are believed to have the inside track on style, including designers, retailers, editors, socialites, photographers and entertainers.—Xinhua

Nigel Lythgoe to return to "American Idol"



Nigel Lythgoe

BEIJING, 5 Aug — The rumors about the judge panel of "American Idol" Season 10 are still not clarified.

However, Fox has confirmed one big change behind the scene: Nigel Lythgoe, a former "Idol" executive producer, is returning to the Fox hit show, according to reports of Entertainment Weekly on Thursday.

Since leaving "American Idol" in 2008, Lythgoe has focused on another popular reality show "So You Think You Can Dance" as an executive producer and judge.

Xinhua

Justin Bieber to play himself in 3D movie

NEW YORK, 5 Aug—Justin Bieber will make his big-screen debut in time for next Valentine's Day.

Paramount Pictures confirmed Tuesday that it will release a 3D biopic about the Canadian teen idol's life on 11 February.

The untitled film will reportedly include



Singer Justin Bieber appears on the NBC "Today" television program in New York.—Internet

footage from his current tour. Davis Guggenheim, who won an Oscar for directing Al Gore in "An Inconvenient Truth," is in negotiations to shoot the project.

Bieber called the newly greenlit project "incredible news" on Twitter Monday.

Xinhua

China funding bid to buy Liverpool FC

LONDON, 5 Aug — China is funding a bid to buy Liverpool Football Club, as Beijing seeks to extend its rapidly growing global influence into the world of British sport, reports said on Thursday. China's overseas investment arm China Investment Corp (CIC) is providing funds for the bid fronted by businessman Kenny Huang to acquire the top sporting brand, reported Britain's *The Times* and *Guardian* newspapers. The news is a dramatic twist in the saga of troubled Liverpool, whose American owners put the Premier League club up for sale in April, weighed down by more than 200 million pounds (318 million dollars) of debt.

CIC's emergence as a bidder for Liverpool sets up a takeover battle, with the Chinese pitted against a private equity group and a wealthy Kuwaiti family for control of the club, according to *The Times*. The Chinese sovereign wealth fund's bid values the club at between 300 million and 350 million pounds, said *The Times*, citing insiders.

Internet



A car drives past the entrance of Liverpool FC's Anfield Stadium.—INTERNET

SPORTS

Sacked Maradona in frame to succeed himself

BUENOS AIRES, 5 Aug — Diego Maradona, sacked as coach of Argentina only last week, is in the frame



Diego Maradona.
INTERNET

to succeed himself, it emerged here on Wednesday in the latest twist in the saga involving the footballing icon. According to Ernesto Cherquis Bialo, Argentina Football Association (AFA) spokesman, Maradona's name is among the list of candidates to fill the vacant coaching position. "Diego has never gone away and he is still arriving," Bialo told radio station Ten, paraphrasing the lyrics of a famous tango dance.—Internet

Rafinha leaves Schalke for Genoa

BERLIN, 5 Aug — Brazilian defender Rafinha has completed his move from German side Schalke to Genoa, the Italian first division club announced on Wednesday.

Details of the transfer have not been announced but media reports put the fee at between eight and 12 million euros.—Internet

Uruguay's Godin signs for Atletico Madrid

MADRID, 5 Aug — Uruguayan international Diego Godin completed his move from Villarreal to Atletico Madrid, the buying club announced on its website on Wednesday. The 24-year-old central defender is due in Madrid on Thursday to go through a medical and sign a five year contract.

According to the Spanish daily AS, the two clubs have agreed a transfer fee of between eight and 10 million euros. Godin joined

Villarreal three years ago and quickly became a key member of the side. He has won 41 caps for Uruguay and was a member of the team that reached the semi-finals of this year's World.

Internet



Uruguay's defender Diego Godin.—INTERNET

Ramires set for 22 million euros move to Chelsea

LISBON, 5 Aug — Brazil international defender Ramires is set to join English Premier League champions Chelsea for 22 million euros, his Portuguese club Benfica announced in a statement on Wednesday. The deal will go ahead provided the 23-year-old, capped 16 times caps and who played in



Brazil international defender Ramires.
INTERNET

the World Cup finals, passes a medical.

"Benfica has reached agreement in principle with Chelsea for the transfer of Ramires for a fee of 22 million euros," read the Benfica statement. "The agreement will be finalised once the player undergoes medical examinations." Ramires joined Benfica at the beginning of last season from Brazilian side Cruzeiro on a three year contract. The transfer has a complication in that Benfica have a 50 percent stake in the player with the other 50 percent owned by a British-based businessman.—Internet

Confident Kazakhstan seeks post-Soviet tennis ace

ALMATY, 5 Aug — Kazakhstan is starting to reap the benefits of a massive injection of support into tennis which it hopes will help the Central Asian state overtake its giant neighbour Russia as a tennis powerhouse. The patronage of President Nursultan Nazarbaev, a passionate tennis lover, launched the rise of interest for the game among the country's political elite but the appointment two years ago of the state's chief administrator Bulat Utemuradov as president of the national tennis federation was also a key turning point.

"We are set to make tennis one of the mass

sports in Kazakhstan," Utemuradov said at the time. "We will create all the necessary conditions for raising the skills of our professional players. "That means not only the contacts but also tough competition with our neighbours Russia."

Internet



Kazakhstan's Yaroslava Shvedova returns a ball to Israel's Shahar Peer during a match in California.

INTERNET

Bidding war starts in Texas Rangers auction

FORT WORTH, 5 Aug — Billionaire Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban launched an aggressive bid to buy the Texas Rangers on Wednesday, challenging Hall of Fame pitcher and team president Nolan Ryan and his group of investors in a rare and contentious bankruptcy court auction. The stop-and-start showdown was delayed for hours by closed-door haggling over the complicated nature of each bid. After a four-hour break following the first bidding round, Cuban's group put a \$355 million cash offer — only a portion of the its total bid — on the table just two hours before midnight.

Before the latest bid, the court-appointed restructuring officer said both bidders were neck-and-neck — a \$320 million cash offer from the group led by Ryan and sports attorney Chuck



Texas Rangers president Nolan Ryan, left, arrives at federal court in Fort Worth, Tex, for the auction of the Texas Rangers baseball team, on 4 Aug, 2010, in Fort Worth, Texas.—INTERNET

Greenberg, and the \$335 million bid from Cuban and Houston businessman Jim Crane — because of the way the bids were structured.

Internet

Arsenal's van Persie spurred by W Cup defeat

LISBON, 5 Aug — Had things turned out differently for the Netherlands at Soccer City in Johan-



Netherlands' striker Robin van Persie (R) and Arjen Robben hold their hands up in despair, after their team fail to score during the 2010 World Cup football final against Spain at Soccer City stadium in Soweto. — INTERNET

nesburg on 11 July, Robin van Persie would be reporting for duty with Arsenal this week with a World Cup winners' medal. Instead, Spain's defeat of the Dutch in the final meant van Persie finished the tournament empty-handed, while his own poor performances in South Africa will have been a source of concern for Gunners manager Arsene Wenger.

Van Persie missed the second half of last season after injuring his ankle in a friendly with Italy in November, but returned to fitness in time to hit scintillating form in the Netherlands' pre-World Cup friendlies.—Internet

Radwanska, Peer advance to WTA quarter-finals

SAN DIEGO, 5 Aug — Polish fourth seed Agnieszka Radwanska and Israeli seventh seed Shahar Peer each advanced to the WTA San Diego Open with straight-set triumphs on Wednesday. Peer defeated Kazakhstan's Yaroslava Shvedova 7-5, 6-4 to book a date in the final eight against Radwanska, who downed former world number one Dinara Safina of Russia 6-1, 6-3.

Serbian top seed Jelena Jankovic and Australian second seed Samantha Stosur were set for later matches at the

700,000-dollar hardcourt tournament, a tuneup for the US Open. Stosur was set to face American Melanie Oudin while Jankovic was matched against Russian Alisa Kleybanova.—Internet



Polish fourth seed Agnieszka Radwanska

ASLEEP IN JESUS DAW AYE (AGE 90)

Daw Aye (age 90) Director (retd) Department of Social Welfare, Myanmar, Former Program Officer/ OIC UNICEF, Yangon, Retired Senior Regional Program Officer, ESCAP, BANGKOK, beloved wife of (Dr.Hla Thwin, Professor of Psychology), beloved mother of U Mya Thwin-Daw Khin Khin Oo (USA) and Dr Aye Aye Thwin (USAID Bangkok) - Mr Ngudup Paljor and Grandmother of (4) Grandchildren fell Asleep in Jesus on August 1-2010 in Bangkok, Thailand. Cremation will be held on August 5-2010, evening in Bangkok.



Swans are seen in the water of the West Lake in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province, on 5 Aug, 2010. Twenty swans immigrating to the West Lake from Hangzhou zoo for the second time in 2008 attracted a large number of tourists from home and abroad. —XINHUA

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (6-8-2010) (Friday)

Transmissions

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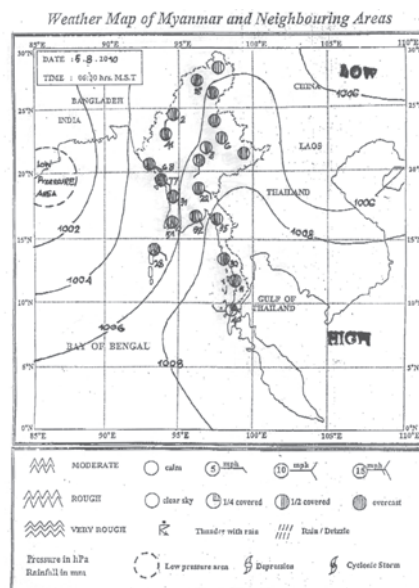
Local Transmission

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- * Kyaing Tong; Town in the beautiful valley
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Bayin Nyi Naung Yadanar Cave
- * Dressing Styles of Law-Waw Ladies
- * "Traditional Dance of National Races"
- Hand in Hand in Unity
- * News
- * A Study Tour to Bagan (Sulamuni Temple)
- * Myanmar Movie "Great Expectation"



WEATHER

Thursday, 5th August, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, Weather has been partly cloudy in Kachin State, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Kayah State, fairly widespread in Shan State, Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with locally heavy falls in Rakhine State and isolated heavy falls in Mon State. The noteworthy amounts of rain fall recorded were Paung (4.13) inches, Mam-Aung (Cheduba) (3.31) inches, Kyaukphyu (3.03) inches, Sittwe (2.76) inches, Launglon (2.56) inches, Kyeikmayaw (2.28) inches, Yangon (central) and Yangon (Kaba-Aye) (2.21) inches each, Kyaukpataung (0.91) inch.

Nay Pyi Taw Weather

Maximum temperature on 4-8-2010 was 89°F. Minimum temperature on 5-8-2010 was 70°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 5-8-2010 was 92%. Rainfall on 5-8-2010 was (Nil).

Yangon (Kaba-Aye) Weather

Maximum temperature on 4-8-2010 was 81°F. Minimum temperature on 5-8-2010 was 73°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 5-8-2010 was 96%. Total sun shine hours on 4-8-2010 was (Nil).

Rainfall on 5-8-2010 was (1.58) inches at Mingaladon, (2.21) at Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon inches each. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (44.53) inches at Mingaladon, (52.01) inches at Kaba-Aye and (60.63) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (10) mph from Southeast at (03:30) hours MST on 5-8-2010.

Bay Inference: According to the observations at (12:30)hrs MST today, yesterday's low pressure area over the Northwest Bay still persists. Monsoon is strong in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 6th July 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be scattered in Kachin and Kayah States, lower Sagaing, Mandalay and Magway Divisions, fairly widespread 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, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Occasional squalls with rough seas will be experienced off and along Myanmar Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (40) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Continuation of strong monsoon.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 6-8-2010: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 6-8-2010: Some rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 6-8-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).



Friday, 6
August

View on today

7:00 am

1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာပြု ဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်

7:25 am

2. To Be Healthily Exercise

7:30 am

3. Morning News

7:40 am

4. အောင်တော်မူ (စောမင်းနောင်၊စိုင်းညိုမင်း၊ တေးရေး- ဗိုလ်ကလေးတင့်အောင်)

7:50 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

8:00 am

6. အကပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:15 am

7. The Mirror Images Of The Musical Oldies

8:25 am

8. "ဆည်ရေလျှံလျှံကန်ဒေါင့် ရေလျှောင်တံ"

8:40 am

9. International News

8:45 am

10. Musical Programme

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Musical Programme

4:20 pm

3. Song Of National Races

4:30 pm

4. Songs Of Yester Years

4:40 pm

5. အထွေထွေသတင်းအချက်အလက်

ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ

ဒုတိယနှစ်

(သတ္တဗေဒအထူးပြု)

(သတ္တဗေဒ)

5:05 pm

6. Songs To Uphold

National Spirit

5:10 pm

7. မြန်မာစာပေမြန်မာစကား

5:35 pm

8. နိုးသားဖြူစင်ကလေးတို့အသွင်

6:00 pm

9. Evening News

6:15 pm

10. Weather Report

6:20 pm

11. ရသစုံလင်အင်တာနက်ဥယျာဉ်

7:00 pm

12. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ

"ဆူးလွင်းသောချစ်နှင်းဆီ"

(ဒုတိယတွဲ) (အပိုင်း-၂၃)

8:00 pm

13. News

14. International News

15. Weather Report

16. ခေတ်ဆက်ဆက်

အထိမ်းအမှတ်များ

(စတီရီယိုတေးသံရှင်များ)

(တေးရေး-မင်းချစ်သူ)

17. "လွှဲတစ်ပြတ်ဟာသများ"

18. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ

"ချစ်သူနယ်နိမိတ်"

(ပထမပိုင်း)

(အပိုင်း-၁၀)

19. သီချင်းချစ်သူ

(လွန်နိုးဝါ)



- ★ 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

One high-fat diet, two different outcomes: The path to obesity becomes clearer



Why is it that two people can consume the same high fat, high-calorie Western diet and one becomes obese and prone to diabetes while the other maintains a slim frame? This question has long baffled scientists, but a study by Yale School of Medicine researchers provides a simple explanation: weight is set before birth in the developing brain.

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The results are reported online the week of August 2 in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

Led by Tamas Horvath, chair and professor of comparative medicine and professor of neurobiology and obstetrics & gynecology at Yale School of Medicine, the research team analyzed the same question in specific groups of rats. These animals have been bred so that their vulnerability to diet-induced obesity is known before they would be put on high-fat, high-calorie diet diets.—Internet

A hop from South America: Tracking Australian marsupials

SCIENCEAILY, 5 Aug — Debates have raged for decades about how to arrange the Australian and South American branches of the marsupial family tree. While marsupials like the Australian tammar wallaby and the South American opossum seem to be

quite different, research by Maria Nilsson and colleagues at the University of Münster, soon to be published in the online open access journal *PLoS Biology*, shows otherwise.

Using sequences of a kind of "jumping gene," the team has reconstructed the marsupial family to

reveal that all living Australian marsupials have one ancient origin in South America. This required a simple migration scenario whereby theoretically only one group of ancestral South American marsupials migrated across Antarctica to Australia.—Internet



Tammar wallaby of Australia.

Opening of new schools in Labutta township

LABUTTA, 4 Aug—A ceremony to hand over two-storey school buildings in Thonesint and Dayebyu villages of Saluseik Village-tract in Labutta Township, Labutta District to Education Department by Swethaha social organization was held at that newly constructed building on 24 July.

Chairman of District Peace and Development Council U Aye Maung Kyi and District Education Officer U Khin Maung Myint formally opened the new school. In-charge U Di Di of the social organization explained the intention of donation of the school building. A townselder handed over documents related to the school to the education officer.

The two new schools each are 25 feet high and 50 feet wide with octagonal structure, and of RC type two-story buildings. They cost K 56.079 million each. They can also be used as cyclone shelters for 300 people in case of emergency.—Township IPRD

Dokhtawady rising

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug — Hydrology and Meteorology Department issued that according to the observation at 12.30 p.m. MST today, the water level of Dokhtawady River reached at 851 cm in Myitnge. The water level may reach at 870 cm of danger level of the town within the next 24 hours from this noon.—MNA