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ASEAN has potential to physically anchor itself as transportation, information and communication technology, and tourism hub of the region

Congratulatory Message from Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of State Peace and Development Council of Union of Myanmar on occasion of 43rd Anniversary of ASEAN Day

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Aug.—Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe sent a congratulatory message on the occasion of the 43rd Anniversary of ASEAN Day. The full text of the message is as follows:-

It gives me great pleasure and honour to extend my warmest greetings and best wishes to the Governments and peoples of all the ASEAN Member States, on this auspicious day.

Today marks the 43rd Anniversary of the founding of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN). On this day every year, we used to take stock of ASEAN's past achievements and think about its future direction. This year is no exception.

In the last couple of years, ASEAN has made important milestones, including the entry into force of the ASEAN Charter in December 2008 and the declaration of the Roadmap for the ASEAN Community in March 2009. Progress is being achieved

in the implementation of the ASEAN Political-Security Community (APSC) Blueprint, the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) Blueprint and the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC) Blueprint.

The ASEAN Leaders discussed the concept of ASEAN Connectivity and adopted a statement thereon at the 15th ASEAN Summit in October 2009. They observed that, located at the crossroads of an economically vibrant and growing region, ASEAN thus had the potential to physically anchor itself as the Transportation, Information and Communication Technology, and tourism hub of the region. They tasked the High-Level Task Force on ASEAN Connectivity (HLTF-AC) to develop an ASEAN Master Plan on

regional connectivity. We are pleased to note that the HLTF-AC is on track for the completion of the Master Plan on ASEAN Connectivity by the 17th ASEAN Summit.

We have learned that the Master Plan will focus on physical connectivity, institutional connectivity and people-to-people connectivity. We note that the theme for this year's ASEAN Day, "Bridging Markets, Connecting Peoples", is fully in line with the concept of ASEAN Connectivity. We sincerely hope that the Master Plan would reach a win-win solution to reflect the interest of all ASEAN Member States and strive for balance between regional and national interests.

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Inlay Lake, a natural heritage of the nation as well as a pride of Shan State

Prime Minister inspects tasks for sustainability of Inlay Lake

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Aug.—Prime Minister U Thein Sein, accompanied by ministers, deputy ministers and heads of department, from Namlat Creek yesterday inspected the dredging and clearing of water hyacinth, flotsam and duckweed in Inlay Lake, Nyaungshwe, Shan State (South).

The Prime Minister and entourage offered alms, flowers and water to Inlay PhaungdawU Buddha Images. Next, they offered gold foils to them.

The Prime Minister viewed progress in renovating the images.

He had a meeting with townselders,

departmental heads and hoteliers at Inlay PhaungdawU Zalathala prayer hall. Chairman of the Supervisory Committee for Conservation of Inlay Lake Chairman of Shan State Peace and Development Council Commander of Eastern

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Prime Minister U Thein Sein views maintenance of retaining walls of Inlay PhaungdawU Hill.—MNA

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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Take preventive and preparedness measures against natural disasters

According to the meteorological observations over a couple of days, there remains a low pressure area in the northwest of the Bay of Bengal. Monsoon is strong in the Andaman Sea and the Bay of Bengal. Thundershowers may scatter in various regions and isolated rains in Rakhine and Mon States and Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Divisions.

Some regional and neighbouring countries are facing overflows of water at rivers and floods in the lowland areas. Thousands of people lost lives. Wells and lakes in some flooded regions were polluted, and thus there are waterborne diseases problems following floods.

Due to strong monsoon, heavy rains occurred in Myanmar. As the water levels of Ayeyawady and Chindwin rivers may reach the danger levels at towns and villages along them, it is necessary to take preventive and preparedness measures against natural disasters.

All the people are to follow the flood warnings issued by the Department of Meteorology and Hydrology. The people from the towns and villages of floods-prone areas are to constantly watch the rising water levels. They have to constantly check the embankments and gather bags of sand and gravel.

The flood prevention groups and the rescue and health groups are to be formed in the respective towns and villages in time. Moreover, preventive measures are to be taken for maintenance of roads, bridges and communication facilities that may be affected during the floods.

Serious attention is to be paid to natural disasters including floods that may occur at any time. As such, the local authorities, social organizations and local people are to harmoniously join hands in carrying out disaster preventive and preparedness measures in all seasons.

Hospitality management courses in August

YANGON, 7 Aug—SANTINI International Training Academy has been conducting hospitality management courses and computer courses for those wishing to work in restaurants, cafeterias, shopping malls, hotels and cruisers at home and abroad.

Courses such as Front

Desk Representative, Guestroom Attendant, Restaurant Server, Commercial Aviation, Bartender & Arts of Mixology, Banquet Setup and Catered Events, each of which lasts one and half month will be opened in August along with IT course for government and company staff and 4-

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

Commander attends launching ceremony of World Breastfeeding Week and Nutrition Week activities

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Aug — Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Maj-Gen Wai Lwin on 5 Aug attended the opening of World Breastfeeding Week and Nutrition Week activities in Kandawmingala Hall of Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana.

District and township level departmental officials, members of social organizations and guests attended the ceremony.

The commander made an opening speech and officials presented awards to winners in commemorative competitions.



Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Maj-Gen Wai Lwin feeds vitamin to a child at launching of World Breastfeeding Week and Nutrition Week. —MNA

The commander and officials later distributed nutritive agents to expected mothers and gave vitamin tablets to kids.

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PBANRDA Ministry, Nay Pyi Taw Development Committee award outstanding students



Minister for PBANRDA Mayor of Nay Pyi Taw U Thein Nyunt awards an outstanding student who passed matriculation examination with flying colours. —MNA

Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Nay Pyi Taw Mayor U Thein Nyunt delivered an opening speech.

Secretary U Tun Kyi and members of Nay Pyi Taw Development Committee, directors-general, managing directors, deputy directors-general and directors of the departments and enterprises, staff, students and parents attended the ceremony.

The mayor and officials presented the prizes and certificates of honour to outstanding offspring of staff families of the ministry and committee. A six-distinction winner spoke words of thanks on behalf of the award winning students.

MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Aug — Ministry for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs

month front office operation course.

The training academy organizes a talk on "Trends of hospitality industry: Service & Job Opportunities" on 14 August (Saturday). The

and Nay Pyi Taw Development Committee awarded outstanding students who passed the

matriculation examination with flying colours in 2009-2010 Academic year at the ministry yesterday.

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Aladin Game Centre), Email: info@santinitraining.com, admin@santinitraining.com, website: www.santinitraining.com, Ph: 383739, 383740, 256938-44.—MNA

Six Americans on medical team killed in Afghanistan

KABUL, 7 Aug—Ten members of a medical team, including six Americans, were shot and killed by Taliban as they were returning from providing eye treatment and other health care in remote villages in northern Afghanistan, a spokesman for the team said on Saturday.

Dirk Frans, director of the International Assistance Mission, said one German, one Briton and two Afghans also were part of the team that made the three-week trip to Nuristan province. They drove to the province, left their vehicles and hiked for hours

with pack horses over mountainous terrain to reach the Parun valley in the province's northwest.

Taliban spokesman Zabiullah Mujahid said that they killed the foreigners because they were "spying for the Americans" and "preaching Christianity."

Frans said the International Assistance Mission, the longest serving nongovernmental organization operating in Afghanistan, is registered as a nonprofit Christian organization but does not proselytize.—INTERNET



This handout photograph released by The Jammu and Ladakh Information Department on 7 Aug, shows collapsed buildings in a flood-affected area of Leh. Rescuers struggled to find survivors after devastating floods caused by freak rains killed at least 132 people in a remote part of India's Ladakh popular for adventure sports.—INTERNET

Six policemen killed in Iraq's violence

BAGHDAD, 7 Aug—Six policemen were killed and 12 injured in three attacks in Baghdad and western Iraq late on Friday and early Saturday, an Interior Ministry source said.

Four policemen were killed and ten others wounded in a clash with gunmen which erupted around midnight in Saidiyah neighborhood in southern Baghdad, the source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity.

In a separate incident, gunmen opened fire on a traffic police patrol in the al-Hurriyah neighborhood in northern Baghdad late on Friday, killing a policeman and wounding two others, he said.

In Iraq's western Anbar province, Captain Abdul Rahman al-Kubaisi, an Iraqi police officer, was shot dead by gunmen on Saturday morning near his house in the city of Rutba, some 375 km west of Baghdad, a provincial police source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity.

On Friday, the police said that a total of three people were killed and 26 wounded in four roadside bombs across the capital.—*Xinhua*



Afghans gather at the scene of an attack on a presidential adviser in Jalalabad, east of Kabul, Afghanistan, Monday, 2 Aug, 2010. Militants attacked the second government official in the east on the same day. The convoy was hit by a remote-controlled bomb hidden in a rickshaw as it was driving through city, police said.

INTERNET



Bomb blast kills four Afghan policemen, one civilian in Taliban hub

KABUL, 7 Aug—Four policemen and a civilian were killed on Saturday morning as explosive device planted inside a hand cart went off next to a police vehicle in Nahr-e-Saraj district of Taliban stronghold Helmand province in southern Afghanistan, Interior Ministry said in a statement.

"The tragic incident occurred in the morning rush hour at 09:00 am local time. As a result five persons including four policemen and one innocent civilian were martyred," the statement said.

It also added that 12 civilians and a policeman were injured in the blast.

No group or individuals have claimed the responsibility for the attack.

However, Taliban militants who have vowed to speed up activities often carry out suicide attacks and roadside bombings which mostly harm civilians.

Xinhua

People pass the site of an attack on a checkpoint in Baghdad, Iraq, Tuesday, on 3 Aug, 2010.

Suspected al-Qaida militants killed 5 Iraqi soldiers in a brazen dawn attack Tuesday at a western Baghdad checkpoint and planted the terror group's black banner before fleeing the scene, officials said.—INTERNET

Foreigners fight alongside with Taliban in northern Afghan province

KUNDUZ, 7 Aug—Some 40 foreign fighters have been supporting Taliban militants in Afghanistan's northern Kunduz province, provincial deputy police chief Abdul Rahman Haqtash said on Saturday.

While showing three foreign fighters to journalists, he said they have been fighting under Uzbek extremist commander Tahir Yaldash.

"They are from Tajikistan and they received one-year training in Pakistan's tribal area of Miran Shah bordering Afghanistan last year," Haqtash told a news conference here.

They were arrested along with their Afghan comrade Abdul Sattar this morning and arms and ammunition in their possession were seized, he added.

"UP to 40 foreign fighters from Arab, Chechen, Tajikistan and other central Asian states have been fighting alongside with Taliban militants in Kunduz province," Haqtash said.

A relatively peaceful province in northern Afghanistan, Kunduz has seen increasing Taliban-led insurgency since beginning of this year.

Xinhua



Afghans visit men injured in an attack on a presidential adviser in Jalalabad, east of Kabul, Afghanistan, Monday, 2 Aug, 2010. Militants attacked the second government official in the east on the same day. The convoy was hit by a remote-controlled bomb hidden in a rickshaw as it was driving through city, police said.

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In this undated photograph, LaPorscha Armstrong, left, meets with Nancy Wetmore, right, manager of local accounts with Keller Center for Corporate Learning during a National Career Fairs Job Fair, in Plano, Texas. Initial requests for jobless benefits rose last week to their highest level since April, a sign that hiring remains weak and some companies are still cutting workers.—INTERNET

Otter Tail electric bills rise with wind power

BISMARCK, 7 Aug—Otter Tail Power Co.'s North Dakota customers will see higher electric bills as the utility adds more wind power to its energy sources, state regulators say. Beginning 1 Sept, a separate charge assessed to ratepayers to pay for Otter Tail wind energy projects will increase the monthly bill by almost \$1.40 for a residential customer who uses 750 kilowatt-hours of electricity, state Public Service Commission filings say.

For that customer, the wind energy charge would rise from \$2.76 monthly to \$4.13, an increase of almost 50 percent. The "renewable energy rider" is listed separately on customers' bills. Commissioner Tony Clark said the charge is intended to allow Otter Tail Power to begin recouping development costs for wind projects. But it does have its drawbacks, Clark said.

"It makes wind perhaps look a little boutique, or that we're treating it a little different," he said. "It's certainly not intended to be that way."

Fergus Falls, Minn.-based Otter Tail Power has about 57,000 North Dakota electric customers. It serves the cities of Wahpeton, Devils Lake and Jamestown, as well as a number of rural communities.

About 18 percent of the utility's electricity comes from wind turbines, including power that Otter Tail buys from other sources, company spokeswoman Cris Kling said on Thursday. Almost three-quarters of its power is generated by coal-fueled plants.

Otter Tail owns part of wind energy projects that were recently built near Langdon, in North Dakota's northeast corner, and Lake Ashtabula, near Valley City in Barnes County.—*Internet*

China's Western Mining Co reports tenfold profit surge in 1H

BEIJING, 7 Aug—Western Mining Co., China's second-largest maker of lead concentrate, said on Thursday that profits in the first half of 2010 jumped 1,175 percent to hit 581 million yuan (85.8 million US dollars).

Total revenues for the company during the January-to-June period rose 79 percent to 7.82 billion yuan, the company said in a statement filed with the Shanghai Stock Exchange.

Western Mining Co. attributed the strong growth to the increase in trade revenues, which surged by 2.5 billion yuan in the first six months, a rise of 119 percent from one year earlier.

Xinhua

Travelling by car contributes more to global warming

LOS ANGELES, 7 Aug—Travelling by car increases global temperatures more than by plane, but only in the long run according to new findings released by the American Chemical Society on Wednesday.

The study, published in the August issue of Environmental Science & Technology, said that in the long run, the global temperature increase from a car trip will be on average higher than from a plane journey for the same distance.

"Car travel emits more carbon dioxide than air travel per passenger mile. As carbon dioxide remains in the atmosphere longer than the other gases, cars have a more harmful impact on climate change in the long term," said Kleefeld from the International Institute for Applied System in Austria.

However, in the short run, travelling by air has a larger adverse impact on climate because airplanes only affect short-lived warming processes at high altitudes.

In the first years after the journey, air travel increases global temperatures four times more than car travel. Passenger trains and buses cause four to five times less impact than automobile travel for every mile a passenger travels, according to the study.—*MNA/Xinhua*

Fannie Mae posts smallest quarterly loss in three years

WASHINGTON, 7 Aug—US mortgage giant Fannie Mae on Thursday reported the smallest quarterly loss in three years, while asking for another 1.5 billion dollars in federal aid.

The company reported a net loss of 1.2 billion dollars in the second quarter of 2010, compared to a net loss of 11.5 billion dollars in the earlier quarter.

Fannie Mae Chief

Executive Mike Williams attributed the improvements in its financial results to the conservative approach the company adopted recently.

"We are focused on sustainable homeownership, and our higher underwriting and eligibility standards reflect that," he said in a statement. "Across our industry, we are seeing a more realistic approach to housing and lending that bodes well for the future."

Net revenue was 4.5 billion dollars in the April-to-June period, up 49 percent from the first quarter of this year, the earnings report showed.

Internet



A Pygmy Marmoset (Callithrix pygmaea) is seen at a primate rescue and rehabilitation center near Santiago on 3 August, 2010. The Pygmy Marmoset, known as the world's smallest monkey and under danger of extinction, was confiscated after being found inside the clothes of a Peruvian citizen during a highway police check at the northern city of Antofagasta, some 1367 km (849 miles) of Santiago.

INTERNET

China's drug watchdog to control the use of 4-MMC

BEIJING, 7 Aug—China's drug watchdog, the State Food and Drug Administration (SFDA), announced on Thursday that 4-methylmethcathinone (4-MMC) will be listed as a class one psychotropic drug substance beginning on 1 September, 2010.

The substance, 4-MMC, is a psychoactive stimulant.

The circular issued by SFDA, on its official website, notes that the regulation has been adopted because there have been some cases of 4-MMC abuse in other countries, and China seeks to prevent such abuses from occurring within the country.

The SFDA said that no companies or individuals are permitted to be involved in 4-MMC related research or business without official permission.

4-MMC has never been sold on the Chinese drug market.—*Xinhua*





Chinese shares close lower at midday Thursday

BEIJING, 7 Aug—Chinese equities fell modestly at midday Thursday with the benchmark Shanghai Composite Index losing 15.72 points, or 0.6 percent, to finish the morning session at 2,622.81.

The Shenzhen Component Index weakened 0.72 percent to end at 10,792.28 at midday.—Xinhua



A midwife monitors a pregnant woman. Women who conceive within six months after a miscarriage have a better chance of a healthy pregnancy without complications compared to women who wait longer, according to a study released Friday.—INTERNET

China says to continue supporting Ethiopia's health sector

ADDIS ABABA, 7 Aug—Chinese Ambassador to Ethiopia Gu Xiaojie on Thursday said the Chinese government is keen to enhance the development cooperation with Ethiopia and China would continue assisting Ethiopia in the health sector.

The ambassador, along with Kebede Worku, Ethiopian state minister of Health and other officials, visited the construction project of Tirunesh-Beijing Hospital which is being undertaken by a Chinese company with the aid from the Chinese government.

Speaking on the occasion, Gu said that China would continue supporting Ethiopia in the health sector. The ambassador said that the project is one of Chinese development commitments in light of the China-Africa Cooperation. "The Chinese government attaches great importance to the successful implementation of the project because it is a symbol for the good cooperation between the two countries," he said. "The project is very impressive and the progress is very good," said Kebede. The state minister said the project is a testimony for the good relations between Ethiopia and China.—Xinhua

Calls to amend archaic heat law

BEIJING, 7 Aug—Labor experts have called for an amendment in law and more effective measures to protect the rights of laborers who work in high temperatures.

The scorching heat in China has claimed more than 40 lives this year.

The prolonged extreme weather has baked many

of weather-related deaths.

In Ji'nan, Shandong province, eight workers have died from sunstroke in the past week. Most of the victims were street cleaners and migrant construction workers.

The recent deaths have prompted experts to urge the government to ensure the legal rights of workers who are exposed to the unbearable heat, said Yang Yansui, a professor at the School of Public Policy and Management at Tsinghua University.

China's exclusive national law on sunstroke prevention, which mainly stipulates ways to cool down high temperatures at some specific workplaces, such as metallurgical mills, was put into effect in 1960.

The archaic law, which has not been amended in five decades, does not stipulate days of extreme heat when workers can stay off duty.

"The law is like a dead letter. There are big loopholes in the legal protection of workers, especially those who toil outdoors," Yang said.

Although some State and local regulations have been introduced in the past years with an aim to better guarantee workers' rights in scorching temperatures, they have not been implemented properly, Yang said.—Xinhua

A worker works at a building site in Hangzhou, east China's Zhejiang Province, on 5 Aug, 2010. The temperature reached 35 degrees Celsius in Hangzhou on Thursday.

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regions in the country since July, with the Inner Mongolia autonomous region, Shandong and Shaanxi provinces and Chongqing municipality reporting the highest number

Ukraine postpones delivery of Taurus-II launch vehicle's first stage to US

KIEV, 7 Aug—Ukraine's state owned company "Yuzhmash" based in eastern city Dnipropetrovsk postponed the delivery of the basic part of the Taurus-II launch vehicle's first stage to a US company, the Ukrainian company said in a statement on Tuesday.

"For some technical reasons, the delivery date has been put off to September-October," the statement said. The delivery was reportedly scheduled for August.

The two-stage launch vehicle is designed to transport loads of up to five tons into low orbit.

In 2008, Ukraine's companies "Yuzhnoye" and "Yuzhmash" signed a long-term contract with US Orbital Sciences Corp on cooperation in producing Taurus-II rocket till 2019.

According to the document, the Ukrainian side is responsible for designing and producing the first stage of the launch vehicle, the US side for the second stage, ground complex and assembly. The Taurus-II program is funded by NASA.—Internet

Solar-powered robot cars on Silk Road to oriental Expo

BEIJING, 7 Aug—Two driverless electric vehicles have begun an epic 13,000-km journey from Italy to Expo 2010 Shanghai along the Silk Road.

The vehicles, developed by the Artificial Vision and Intelligent Systems Laboratory (VisLab) at Parma University in Italy, started their journey on 26 July and are expected to arrive in Shanghai around 28 Oct, just days before the end of the Expo.

The European Research Council has funded the project, which hopes to demonstrate the possibility of transferring goods between continents using new-energy vehicles and without a human in the driver's seat.

The long journey will assess the performance of various technologies, including lane, vehicle and pedestrian detections, terrain and slope estimation, off-road sensors, and trajectory planning.

These technologies will one day be installed in ordinary vehicles, said Alberto Broggi, director of the project, at a press conference in Milan before the vehicles' departure. He said the Expo prompted him to choose Shanghai as the final destination of the test.

"We want to hit the center of the world to show our technologies," he said. "And we thought, why not go there by driverless car?"

He said since the next edition of the World Expo will be held in Milan in 2015, his team wanted to create a bridge to connect with Shanghai.—Xinhua



Artists perform Haka, a kind of New Zealand's traditional dancing to cheer up Maori soldiers before their battle, in 2010 World Expo Site in Shanghai, China, on 7 Aug, 2010.

XINHUA

Indonesia not to block BlackBerry services

JAKARTA, 7 Aug — The Indonesian Government will not follow steps taken by Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates (UAE) to block several services provided by Canada-based global cellular phone communication system BlackBerry, an official said here on Thursday.

"The government has yet to see the negative impact of BlackBerry service in the country," said Gatot S, Dewobroto, head of Information Center and Public Relations at the Information and Communication (Kominfo) Ministry. Gatot said policies to use or not using such services provided by BlackBerry were purely internal affairs of each respective governments, the Kompas.com reported. Indonesia sees increasing BlackBerry customers with the last data recorded last year reached around 400,000. The two Middle East countries planned to block the BlackBerry's browser, e-mail and messenger services for security and sovereignty reasons. The service blockade policy on BlackBerry's essential service will take into force on Friday in Saudi Arabia, meanwhile UAE will apply the blockade in October this year. —MNA/Xinhua

A classic car is seen on display in the parking lot of a Coquitlam grocery store in Suburban Vancouver, on 19 July, 2010. More than 100 classic cars, mainly made in the 1950s and 1960s were displayed on the show.
XINHUA



Thailand, China reinforce education ties

BANGKOK, 7 Aug — Thailand's Education Minister Chinaworn Boonyakiat and China's Education Minister Yuan Guiren on Wednesday signed a bilateral agreement to certify education and academic degrees in both countries, the Kom Chad Luek online reported.

This bilateral agreement is aimed to create a mechanism, which will facilitate

academic exchange programmes between the two countries in the future.

In light of the bilateral agreement, academic degrees and qualifications from any universities or institutes in both countries will be certified by the Chinese and Thai Government.

Prior to the new agreement, Thailand and China in the past conducted a three-

year trial for the educational exchange programme between the two countries. "But, under the new bilateral agreement both countries do not specify the cooperation's period as the agreement can be revoked when either Thailand or China wants to amend its details," the Thai Education Minister explained.

MNA/Xinhua

US, Vietnam in civilian nuclear talks

WASHINGTON, 7 Aug — The United States and Vietnam are negotiating a civilian atomic agreement that would allow Washington to share nuclear fuel and technology with Hanoi, a State Department spokesman said on Thursday.

State Department spokesman P.J. Crowley said the talks with Vietnam follow similar bilateral pacts Washington struck with India in 2005 and with the United Arab Emirates last year.

Washington hopes Vietnam and any other future civil nuclear partner follows the example set by last year's agreement with the UAE, which agreed to forgo

enriching its own uranium and buy all its nuclear fuel on the international market, he said. "We certainly would encourage countries to make the same decision that the UAE has made," said Crowley.

"At the same time, not every country is not going to make that decision," he said, adding that Vietnam has the right to enrich uranium for energy as a signatory to the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty.

"That is a decision for them to make. It's not a decision for the United States to make," Crowley said.

MNA/Reuters



Russian Air Force's jet crashes, pilots survive

MOSCOW, 7 Aug — A combat-training Sukhoi Su-25 plane of Russian Air Force crashed in the Trans-Baikal Territory on Friday, the Air Force spokesman Vladimir Drik said.

The crew ejected and survived, ITAR-TASS news agency quoted Drik as saying. The plane was flying from the Styep airfield to the Domna airfield when it crashed. There was neither loss of life, nor destruction on the ground, and the plane did not carry any weapons, the spokesman said. Experts of the Defence Ministry and the Air Force have launched investigation, he added. —MNA/Xinhua

UAE agency says attack caused damage to Japan tanker

DUBAI, 7 Aug — Investigators probing a blast on a Japanese supertanker near the Strait of Hormuz last week found remains of homemade explosives and have blamed the incident on a "terrorist attack", the United Arab Emirates state news agency said on Friday. The crew of the 333-metre-long M.Star reported an explosion shortly after midnight last Wednesday,

injuring one seaman but causing no oil spill or disruption to shipping in the strategic waterway.

"An examination carried out by specialized teams had confirmed that the tanker had been the subject of a terrorist attack," the news agency WAM said, quoting an unidentified Coast Guard source.

"UAE explosives experts who collected and

examined samples found a dent on the starboard side above the water line and remains of home-made explosives on the hull", the source said. The incident provoked several theories about the cause, ranging from a freak wave to a collision with a US nuclear submarine. Two days ago a militant group linked to al-Qaeda claimed responsibility for the incident. —MNA/Reuters



This undated handout picture released by the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) in Malaysia shows a Malayan pangolin (Manis javanica), also known as a scaly anteater, climbing a tree. More than five tonnes of bushmeat from primates, crocodiles and other rare or protected animals are smuggled in luggage through one of Europe's busiest airports every week, a study has said. —INTERNET

The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and Myanmar

Maung ASEAN

The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) was established on 8 August 1967 with ASEAN Declaration (Bangkok Declaration) in Bangkok by the five original Member countries, namely, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand. Brunei joined on 8 January 1984, Vietnam on 28 July 1995, Laos and Myanmar on 23 July 1997, and Cambodia on 30 April 1999.

Although Southeast Asia has diverse administrative, economic and political systems and religions as well, countries in the region have established ASEAN. Therefore, ASEAN that is made up of 10 Southeast Asian countries, is mindful of the existence of mutual interests and interdependence among the peoples and Member States of ASEAN which are bound by geography, common objectives and shared destiny.

ASEAN leaders are convinced of the need to strengthen existing bonds of regional solidarity to realize an ASEAN Community that is politically cohesive, economically integrated and socially responsible in order to effectively respond to current and future challenges and opportunities.

With such conviction, ASEAN leaders are committed to intensifying community building through enhanced regional cooperation and integration, in particular by establishing an ASEAN Community comprising the ASEAN Security Community, the ASEAN Economic Community and the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community, as provided for in the Bali Declaration of ASEAN Concord II ific at 9th ASEAN Summit in Bali, Indonesia on 7 October 2003. Inspired by One Vision, One Identity and One Caring and Sharing Community, ASEAN leaders are striving for the unity.

ASEAN Charter

At the 11th ASEAN Summit held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in December 2009, the Heads of State/Government of the Member States of ASEAN declared Kuala Lumpur Declaration to prepare an ASEAN Charter as there was no fundamental rule for the association and they tasked Eminent Persons Group (EPG) and High Level Task Force (HLTF) from ASEAN Member States to prepare the draft ASEAN Charter.

On 20th November 2007, the ASEAN Charter was signed by ASEAN Leaders including Myanmar at the 13th ASEAN Summit which was held in Singapore. Myanmar ratified ASEAN Charter as a Seventh State on 21st July 2008. The ASEAN Charter entered into force on 15th December 2008 after all ASEAN Member States have ratified it.

ASEAN Member States are endeavoring to realize an ASEAN Community by 2015 which includes ASEAN Political-Security Community (APSC), ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) and ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC) as the three main pillars in accordance with the ASEAN Charter.

ASEAN Political-Security Community (APSC)

The APSC aims to ensure that the people and Member States of ASEAN live in peace with

one another and with the world at large a just, democratic and harmonious environment.

To achieve this, the APSC will promote political development in adherence to the principles of democracy, the rule of law and good governance, respect for, promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms as inscribed in the ASEAN Charter. It also subscribes to a comprehensive approach to security. At the same time, the APSC seeks to strengthen the mutually beneficial relations between ASEAN and its Dialogue Partners and friends.

The APSC thus envisages the following key characteristics: (a) rules-based Community of shared values and norms; (b) a cohesive, peaceful, stable and resilient region with shared responsibility for comprehensive security; and (c) a dynamic and outward-looking region in an increasingly integrated and outward-looking region in an increasingly integrated and interdependent world.

The Blueprint towards establishing the APSC was adopted by the ASEAN Leaders at the 14th ASEAN Summit which was held in Hua Hin, Thailand on 13-18 December 2008.

ASEAN Economic Community (AEC)

The AEC aims to transform ASEAN into a stable, prosperous, and highly competitive region with equitable economic development, and reduced poverty and socio-economic disparities.

Specifically, it comprises four key pillars: (a) a single market and production base; (b) a highly competitive economic region; (c) a region of equitable economic development; and (d) a region fully integrated into the global economy.

To realize the AEC, ASEAN Leaders signed the Declaration on the AEC Blueprint at the 13th ASEAN Summit which was held in Singapore on (18-22) November 2007. The Blueprint serves as a master plan towards achieving an AEC by 2015 by identifying economic integration measures, and targets and timelines for their implementation. To ensure that the targets can be achieved by 2015, a scorecard system to track progress and an AEC communications plan to engage all stakeholders have been put in place.

ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC)

The ASCC aims to contribute to realizing an ASEAN Community that is people-centred and socially responsible with a view to achieving enduring solidarity and unity among the peoples and Member States of ASEAN. It seeks to forge a common identity and build a caring and sharing society which is inclusive and where the well-being, livelihood, and welfare of the peoples are enhanced.

To achieve this, the ASCC will implement cooperation activities that are people-oriented and environmentally friendly and geared towards the promotion of sustainable development. It will also contribute to building a strong foundation for greater understanding, good neighbourliness and a shared sense of responsibility.

The ASCC envisages the following characteristics: (a) human development; (b) social welfare and protection; (c) social justice and rights; (d) ensuring environmental sustainability; (e) build-

ing the ASEAN identity; and (f) narrowing the development gap.

The ASCC Blueprint was adopted by the ASEAN Leaders at the 14th ASEAN Summit. In the ASCC, peoples are truly at the centre-stage of ASEAN community building.

Important Treaties and Agreements Bangkok Declaration

The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) was established on 8 August 1967 with ASEAN Declaration (Bangkok Declaration) in Bangkok by the five original Member countries, namely, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

Bali Agreement (Declaration of ASEAN Concord)

Bali Concord is the agreement laid down by the ASEAN leaders on 24 February 1976 in Bali, Indonesia. At first, it has been noted as Declaration of ASEAN Concord or Bali Concord. However when Bali Concord II was signed in 2003, the previous agreement was called as Bali Concord I. This Agreement sets the frame work for ASEAN cooperation which included politics, economic, social and culture, information, security strengthening ASEAN mechanism.

Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia

The Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia (TAC) was signed by the original Member States of ASEAN in 1976. The First Protocol Amending and the Second Protocol Amending were made in 1987 and 1988 respectively. Myanmar signed the accession to TAC at the 28th ASEAN Ministerial Meeting, Brunei in 1995. Moreover China, Russia, India, Australia, New Zealand, Japan and Korea also signed the accession to TAC. French and Timor-Leste are accession to TAC in Cebu Summit in January 2007, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka are signed the accession to TAC at the 40th ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on July 2007 in Manila, the Philippines respectively. The Democratic People's Republic of Korea in July 2008, the United States of America in July 2009 and Turkey and Canada signed the treaty in July 2010.

The purpose of this Treaty is to promote perpetual peace, everlasting amity and cooperation among their peoples which would contribute to their strength, solidarity and closer relationship;

- Mutual respect for the independence, sovereignty, equality, territorial integrity and national identity of all nations;
- The right of every State to lead its national existence free from external interference, subversion or coercion;
- Non-interference in the internal affairs of one another;
- Settlement of differences or disputes by peaceful means;
- Renunciation of the threat or use of force;
- Effective cooperation among themselves.

(To be continued)

Inlay Lake, a natural heritage of the nation ...

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Command Maj-Gen Yar Pyae gave an account of ongoing tasks for maintenance of the lake for its durability and ensuring regular flow of currents, and follow-up plans.

Director U Tin Aye of Shan State (South) Forest Department and Director U Win Kyi of Shan State (South)

Irrigation Department reported on work progress for sustainability of the lake.

Ministers U Htay Oo, U Thein Aung and U Tin Naing Thein and Deputy Minister U Aye Myint Kyu reported on tasks under way for maintenance and greening of the lake and future tasks.

In his speech, the

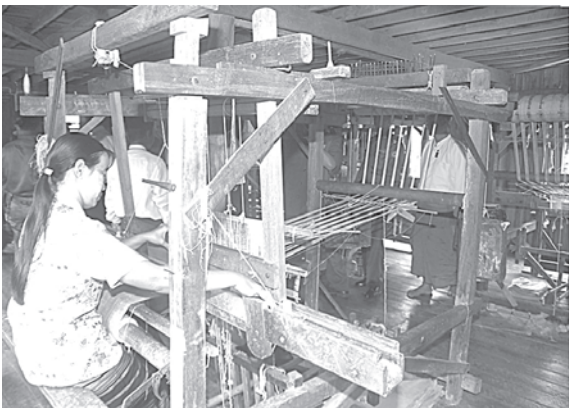
Prime Minister said that due to global warming and climate changes, many countries encountered natural disasters such as drought, floods, and earthquake, and so did Myanmar to an extent.

Owing to climate changes, environmental degradation and human activities for years, the lake is slowly receding.

In reality, Inlay Lake is a natural heritage of the nation as well as a landmark of



All-round renovated Inlay PhaungdawU Hill.—MNA



Prime Minister U Thein Sein views products of Myasekkya Weaving Workshop.—MNA



Lotus scarves and robes from lotus trunks produced by Myasekkya Weaving Workshop.

MNA

Shan State. Moreover, it contributes considerably towards the socio-economic life of local people and generation of hydropower.

Departments concerned are to lay down work plans for prevention of silting up, improvement of the natural ecology, and

greening of the lake.

In the process, he underlined maintenance of the watershed areas, reforestation of barren areas, dredging of the lake and cleaning of floating islands, duckweed and water hyacinth, and replacing slash and burn with highland cultivation.

In conserving the environment through reforestation, priority is to be given to perennial trees and it is required to encourage emergence of private-run perennial crop plantations.

Stepping up tasks for greening the lake makes contribution towards environmental conservation and it also means maintenance of one of the State's natural heritages.

In conclusion, he called for sustainability of the lake through State's assistance and (See page 9)



Sanitation tasks being carried out in Inlay Lake.—MNA



Inlay Lake, a natural heritage of the nation...

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cooperation of entrepreneurs and local people.

The Prime Minister viewed tasks for maintenance of the retaining wall of Inlay PhaungdawU Hill. Officials reported on work progress, and in response the Prime Minister gave instructions on tasks.

On arrival at Myasekkya Weaving Workshop in Innpawkhon, the Prime Minister viewed the process of making lotus scarves and robes from lotus trunks, along with traditional silk and cotton clothes. He observed the products at the workshop.

The Prime Minister and party arrived at Taunggyi in the afternoon.

Inlay, a lake in Nyaungshwe Township, Shan



Sand and silt being dredged at Inlay Lake.—MNA



State (South), stands at an altitude of about 2950 feet. The freshwater lake is one of major tourist destinations in Myanmar.

In 2008, the area of the lake was about 40 square miles. However, this year, the area was reduced to only 27 square miles due to record heat. And its length was reduced from 36 to 11 miles, and its width, from eight to four miles.

Locals are therefore to maintain the natural lake hand in hand with the government for its sustainability, and adding to the natural beauty of Inlay region.—MNA

Dredger at work in conservation of Inlay Lake.—MNA

Lt-Gen Myint Swe participates in workshop of MBPSMA

YANGON, 7 Aug—Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence this morning attended the workshop on promotion of Myanmar beans and pulses, maize and sesame cultivation and sales organized by Myanmar Beans and Pulses and Sesame Merchants Association at the hall of Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry in Lanmadaw Township.

Also present at the workshop were Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council



Lt-Gen Myint Swe of Ministry of Defence speaking at workshop on promotion of Myanmar beans and pulses, maize and sesame cultivation and sales.—MNA

Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win Myint, the Deputy Minister for Commerce, the president of

UMFCCI and CEC members, the chairman of MBPSMA and executives, members, officials and resource

persons.

First, Lt-Gen Myint Swe delivered an address.

The deputy minister

and officials gave necessary instructions.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe and party viewed sample beans and pulses and

browsed the documentary photos of beans and pulses companies.

MNA

Contract for coal signed

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Aug—Myanmar CNMC Nickel Co Ltd, working in partnership with No. 3 Mining Enterprise of Ministry of Mines at Tagaung Hill Nickel Mine on a profit-sharing basis, inked a deal with

Htoo Han Thit Co Ltd to buy coal at the Presidential Suite of Myat Tawin Hotel here this afternoon.

U Win Htein, Managing Director of the No. 3 Mining Enterprise, extended greetings at the

signing ceremony in which Managing Director of Myanmar CNMC Nickel Co Ltd Mr Wang Xiaowei and MD U Htin Lin Kyaw of Htoo Han Thit Co Ltd signed the contract and exchanged documents.—MNA

Blast kills two, wounds 4 in Myawady, Kayin State

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Aug—A motorbike carrying two men exploded near night market-stands in No. 4 Ward, Myawady, Kayin State about 8.25 pm

yesterday, killing the two men on the spot and wounding one man and three women near the scene.

According to primary investigations,

some kind of explosive carried on the motorbike caused the blast and authorities concerned are investigating into the case.—MNA

Toshiba launches new products

YANGON, 7 Aug—Toshiba Singapore Pte Ltd and Lucky Bird Trading Co Ltd organized a reception to mark the 25th anniversary of Toshiba Notebook PC along with introduction of new model notebooks at Parkroyal Hotel here yesterday evening.

Toshiba, one of the top five brands in notebooks market has launched three new models, Libretto W 110, Portege R 700, and Portege T 200. Other models already on market are Toshiba Satellite L 640, Toshiba Satellite L 655, and Toshiba Satellite L 645.

Customers may visit Lucky Bird showrooms at No. 355, Theinbyu Street, Mingala Taungnyunt Township, here, Ph: 01-248167, 379875 and 399011, at No.

5, 26th Street, between 78th and 79th Street, Mandalay, Ph: 02-21527 and at Northwest Corner, Thabyegon Market, Nay Pyi Taw, Ph: 067-414113.

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YANGON, 7 Aug—The opening ceremony of Special Refresher Course

Special Refresher Course No. 18/2010 for police officers opened

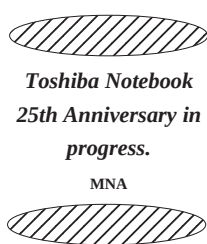
No. 18/2010 for police officers of Myanmar Police Force under the Ministry of Home Affairs was held at Nawarat Hall of Central Institute of Civil Service (Phaunggyi), Hlegu Township here today with an address by Minister for Home Affairs and for Immigration and Population U Maung Oo.

Members of Civil Service Selection and

Training Board U Hla Myint Oo and U Win Aung, responsible persons from the Ministry of Home Affairs, the rector of CICS (Phaunggyi) and the protectors, departmental heads, instructors and trainees were present at the ceremony.

The four-week-course is being attended by 212 officer trainees.

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New motor road under...

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In accord with the guidance of the Head of State, PyinOoLwin District Public Works on 2 May 2010 surveyed the alignment for the PyinOoLwin-Mogok motor road.

In the past, there was no direct motor road from PyinOoLwin to Mogok, and PyinOoLwin was linked with Mogok along 160 miles long route passing Mandalay, Madaya, Singu and Thabeikkyin. On completion, the new motor road will be 97 miles and seven furlongs long, which is 62 miles and one furlong shorter than the old route.

At present, a new motor road will link PyinOoLwin of over 100 years old and ruby land Mogok of over 700 years old.

We the news crew observed progress of PyinOoLwin-Yenge-Mogyopyit-Nyaunggon road section being constructed by PyinOoLwin District Public Works and Nyaunggon-Medaw-Naungpein-Kyaukmelay road section by Ayeyaw Shwewah Company.

In an interview,

Daw Aye Aye Maw, Senior Engineer of PyinOoLwin District Public Works, said that the road construction in PyinOoLwin is being built by PyinOoLwin District Public Works and herself under supervision of one Chief Engineer of Public Works (Head Office) and Mandalay Division Superintending Engineer U Soe Aung, the road section of Kyaukme District by Deputy Superintending Engineer U Kyauk Wai of Road Special Group No. 1 and party and the section of Mogok by Assistant Engineer Daw Nu Yin Min and those from 10 companies. Before surveying the alignment, the area had inter-village roads including 8 miles and seven furlongs long tarred road, 37 miles and two furlongs long hard road, 39 miles and six furlongs long gravel road and 39 miles and six furlongs long walkways and cart tracks. The route from Lonkham to Legyi was steep in the hilly area, she said.

She added that plan is under way to construct 50 conduits and box culverts, sixty-three 10 feet-30 feet long bridges and one 240 feet long bridge, totalling 64 along 97 miles and seven furlongs long road. The width of the road will be expanded up to 34 feet. The

roads will be upgraded to gravel ones this year and to asphalt facilities next year due to heavy rain falling the area.

With the assistance of AE Daw Nu Yin Min of Mogok Township Public Works, we had smooth trips. In the early morning, we passed Mandalay, Madaya, Singu and Thabeikkyin by car.

We looked into construction works of Sein Kaung Yadana Company and MMIC Company in their sections at Panmahteik, Aphyu-yaung, Lower Nyaunggon, Kyauktalon and Legyi villages in Mogok area. The construction tasks were being undertaken with the use of heavy machinery, and some ground works were completed with 34 feet wide earth road.

On arrival at Legyi Village, we saw progress of Namhpan Creek Bridge being built by Directorate of Military Engineers. The preliminary engineering works had been completed recently, and minibored pile and pile caps were under construction.

We had an interview with AE Daw Nu Yin Min who was supervising the tasks of construction companies on Mogok bank. She explained that Mogok Township Public Works is to expand 12 feet wide Mogok-Monglon old motor road with the length of 14 miles to 34 feet wide one. Sein Kaung Yadana



Progress of PyinOoLwin-Mogok Road construction project seen with heavy machinery.

Co is to construct 10 miles long road section and Panthee Co, four miles long section, totaling 14 miles from Mogok to Legyi Village. They have experience in constructing the roads. Sein Kaung Yadana Co started its tasks on 27 June and Panthee Co 10 July. They do not suspend their works even in the rainy season, she said.

The 125 miles and one furlong long Pyay-Paukkaung-Toungoo road, the 96 miles long Pathein-Thalakhwa-Mawtinsun road and the 20 miles and three furlongs long Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana-Pinlaung (Kintna-Koegway) road built by Public Works were inaugurated in recent months. A total of 15 roads with the length of 1815 miles and two furlongs are under construction.

On completion,

PyinOoLwin-Mogok new road will help develop over 20 villages along its route. It is because arrangements have been made to reclaim over 100,000 acres of farmlands to grow paddy, maize, beans, pine apple, strawberry, tea, avocado, djenkol bean, damson, coffee, orange and others along both sides of the new

road. The direct motor road to link PyinOoLwin hill station and Mogok ruby land will emerge in the near future thanks to concerted efforts of engineers and workers of Public Works and private construction companies.

Translation: TTA
Kyemon: 5-8-2010

Profile of 160 feet long Namhpan Creek Bridge Project

Location:	Legyi Village, Mogok Township, (Mogok-PyinOoLwin Road)
Type of bridge:	Bailey suspension bridge
Withstanding:	60-ton loads
Length:	160 feet long with three spans (60+60+40 feet)
Width:	12 feet wide motor way
Type of foundation:	0-8 minibored pile foundation, 0 cassion foundation
Clearance (free boat):	156 feet wide and three feet high
Start of project:	25-6-2010
Project duration:	within six months.

Canada judge slams US in terrorism extradition case

VANCOUVER, 7 Aug—A judge refused on Wednesday to extradite a Canadian man wanted on US terrorism charges and whose brother is detained at Guantanamo, saying the United States violated his rights.

The judge ruled Abdullah Khadr's rights, including access to Canadian diplomatic counsel, were violated after he was detained in 2004 by Pakistani intelligence officials, acting on a US offer of a 500,000 Canadian dollars bounty.

"In this case, the sum of the human rights violations suffered by Khadr is both shocking and unjustifiable," Ontario Superior Court Justice Christopher Speyer ruled in Toronto.

Khadr was held secretly in Pakistan for 14 months but allowed to return to Canada in 2005. Canada later arrested him at the request of the United States, which accuses him of supplying weapons to al-Qaeda in Pakistan.

MNA/Reuters

Russia's Security Council discusses wildfires

MOSCOW, 7 Aug—Wildfires raging in 17 Russian regions became the only topic discussed during a meeting of the national Security Council chaired by President Dmitry Medvedev on Wednesday, the RIA Novosti news agency reported.

The President ordered the Interior Ministry not to let anarchy spread in the areas affected by the fires.

"By no means you may allow anarchy as a result of severe accidents and tragedies. You must not let the situation go out of local authorities' control," Medvedev said. He stressed that the principal responsibility for keeping the situation under control lies with the Interior Ministry.

"You should ... calm people down ... explain to them what to do and what not," the President told the Interior Minister, Rashid Nurgaliyev.

He pointed out that police stations and other law enforcement infrastructure must be under steadfast surveillance.

Medvedev also demanded the drafting of a new programme to secure national fire safety in the future.

MNA/Xinhua



Workers use nets to scoop small globs of oil from the water off of Rigolets Harbor restaurant and lounge as oil residue washes in from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico recently in Greens Ditch, Louisiana.

INTERNET



South Korean kids play the ice piano at the ice gallery in Seoul, South Korea, on 5 Aug, 2010. The ice gallery attracted a lot of children as temperatures hovered around 35 degrees Celsius in most part of South Korea.— XINHUA

Four dead, four missing in Indonesia's volcano eruption

JAKARTA, 7 Aug—Four locals living around Karangetang volcano in Sitaro isles in Indonesia's North Sulawesi province were reportedly missing following an eruption of the volcano earlier Friday morning, an official said on Friday.

Head of Social Department at North Sulawesi provincial office Recky Tumanduk said that those missing

persons were presumably dead, adding that the rescue team had found four dead bodies following the eruption.

"Those four dead victims were already evacuated by teams engaged by local administrator. The evacuation had been reported to the governor," Recky was quoted by the state's official news service,

Antara, as saying in his office in Manado, the province's capital city. He added the searching efforts over those missing victims were still underway.

Recky said that the eruption in the most active volcano in the area incited panic among the people living in the isles, and made them refuge to places considered safe.

Xinhua

US attends Hiroshima bombing ceremony for first time

HIROSHIMA, 7 Aug—Japan marked the 65th anniversary of the US atomic bombing of Hiroshima on Friday with the United States represented at the ceremony for the first time.

A peace bell tolled at 8:15 am, the time the bomb was dropped by the US B-29 warplane Enola Gay on 6 August, 1945, as tens of thousands of elderly survivors, children and dignitaries held a minute of silence under the burning summer sun. "Clearly, the urgency of nuclear weapons abolition is permeating our global conscience," Hiroshima Mayor Tadatoshi Akiba said in a speech followed by the release of white doves. The Hiroshima bomb, nicknamed "Little Boy", released a mix of shockwaves, heat rays and radiation, killing thousands instantly.

By the end of 1945, the death toll had risen to some 140,000 out of an estimated population of 350,000. Thousands more died of illness and injuries later. The United States

sent a representative to the ceremony for the first time, reflecting President Barack Obama's push to rid the world of nuclear weapons. "For the sake of future generations, we must continue to work together to realise a world without nuclear weapons," US Ambassador John Roos said in a statement.

MNA/Reuters

DPRK suffers from serious flood damage

PYONGYANG, 7 Aug—Heavy rainfall drenched the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) last month, causing great damage to the national economy and people's daily lives, the official news agency KCNA said on Thursday.

According to the KCNA, the heavy downpour created floods and caused massive losses to the country's railway traffic, agriculture and other economic sectors.

Some 5,560 houses and more than 350 public buildings were destroyed and about 14,850 hectares of farmland was submerged. A number of industrial establishments, transformers, roadbeds and railways were also damaged.—MNA/Xinhua

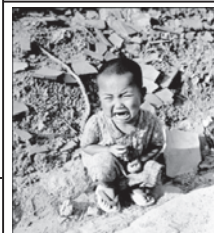
Thai King allows artificial rainmaking to ease drought

BANGKOK, 7 Aug—King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand on Thursday has allowed Queensland, Australia, to use artificial rainmaking technique to mitigate drought there, the Thai News Agency (TNA) reported.

Thailand has been a world leader in the field of artificial rainmaking due to the effort of the King, who began trial of the artificial rainmaking technique.

The European Patent Office in 2006 granted King Bhumibol a patent for "weather modification by royal rainmaking technology."

MNA/Xinhua



A victim of the 6 August 1945 Hiroshima atomic bomb attack cries amid the ruins of a home in the devastated city. An estimated 140,000 people died instantly in Hiroshima or succumbed to burns and radiation sickness soon after the blast, and over 70,000 perished as a result of the Nagasaki attack three days later.

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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV MCP ALTONA VOY NO (016)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV MCP ALTONA VOY NO (016) are here by notified that the vessels will be arriving on 8.8.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.P where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY

AGENT FOR: M/S HARTMANN ASIA LINE

Phone No: 256908/378316/376797

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV XIANG DA VOY NO (1030 W)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV XIANG DA VOY NO (1030 W) are here by notified that the vessels will be arriving on 8.8.2010 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.

SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY

AGENT FOR: M/S CHINA SHIPPING

(MALAYSIA AGENCY SDN-BHD)

Phone No: 256908/378316/376797

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV KOTA TEGAP VOY NO (527)

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

SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY

AGENT FOR: M/S ADVANCE CONTAINER

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Phone No: 256908/378316/376797

Conn man kills nine, self, in his workplace

HARTFORD, 7 Aug — Company officials Thursday rejected a suggestion that Omar Thornton was driven by racial harassment to kill eight people at a Connecticut beer distributorship. Ross Hollander, chief executive officer of Hartford Distributors Inc, told reporters on Thursday Thornton had been "em-

braced" by the company until he was found to be stealing beer and then reselling it, ABC News reported.

Thornton started shooting after being shown surveillance video in which he was seen stealing, killing eight people on Tuesday before taking his own life.

"As for the claims that Omar's actions were result of racial insensitivity, I can

state to you unequivocally that no claim has ever been brought to the attention of our company," Hollander said, reading from a prepared statement. Thornton's girlfriend told ABC's "Good Morning America" on Thursday he had described racial harassment directed at him that was enough to drive someone "crazy."

Internet

LIFT Fund UNOPS

The LIFT Fund seeks highly qualified individuals for the post of Finance Officer (NOB).

Terms of reference/details are available on UNOPS website: www.unops.org and at LIFT Office, Room 318, Park Royal Hotel, Alan Pya Phaya Road, Yangon.

Application deadline: 15 August 2010

MINISTRY OF CONSTRUCTION PUBLIC WORKS CALL FOR SEALED TENDER

1. Public Works under Ministry of Construction is willing to purchase under materials with Myanmar kyats as per Tender No.6T (C/RB)/PASA/PW/2010-2011 and tender closing date and time as (31.8.2010) at (16:00) PM.

Kind of materials	Quantity
M.S Plate	
1.8 mm thickness	300 ton
2.5 mm thickness	10 ton
3.3 mm thickness	15 ton
	325 ton

Angle Iron	
1.3"x3"x5/16" length	130 ton
2.3"x2"x5/16" length	20 ton
3.2"x2"x5/16" length	5 ton
	155 ton

2. Tender forms can be purchased at Office No.(40), Public Works, Head of materials, with effect from (9.8.2010) within office hours with Ks.50000/- (kyats fifty thousand only) per Tender Form, and may enquire required about detailed facts through under telephones.

Managing Director
Public Works
Ministry of Construction
Phone No. 067-407577 and 067-407581



Thousands of icebergs calve from Greenland's glaciers every year. — INTERNET

Huge ice sheet breaks from Greenland glacier

OTTAWA, 7 Aug—A giant sheet of ice measuring 260 sq km (100 sq miles) has broken off a glacier in Greenland, according to researchers at a US university. The block of ice separated from the

Petermann Glacier, on the north-west coast of Greenland. It is the largest Arctic iceberg to calve since 1962, said Prof Andreas Muenchow of the University of Delaware.

The ice could become frozen in place over winter or escape into the wa-

ters between Greenland and Canada. If the iceberg moves south, it could interfere with shipping, Prof Muenchow said. Cracks in the Petermann Glacier had been observed last year and it was expected that an iceberg would calve from it soon.

Internet

Ariz toddler's body found in sludge pit

DEWEY, 7 Aug — The body of Emmett Trapp, a 2-year-old Arizona boy who had gone missing on Monday was found in a sludge pit about a mile from his home, officials said. The boy's mother called the sheriff's office Monday night to report him missing. She said she had awakened from a nap and couldn't find him, the Prescott (Ariz) Daily Courier reported on Thursday. Sheriff's deputies arrived about 10 minutes later and started searching the area.

More than 90 searchers from public safety departments and volunteer organizations, along with the FBI, looked for the child. Horseback and all-terrain vehicle riders with bloodhounds joined the search. Dwight D'Evelyn, a Yavapai County Sheriff's Office spokesman, said a searcher who lives near the pit saw small footprints and told the sheriff's office. —Internet

INVITATION TO TENDER

(TENDER NO. 5 T (C/RB)/PASA/PW/2010-2011)

1. Sealed Tender is invited by the Public Works, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar. The Ministry of Construction for the supply of C. Channel & M.S Plate.
2. Tender Closing Date is (31-8-2010 at 16:00 hr).
3. Tender Documents and detail specification are available at the Public Works, Procurement section Stores Division, No (40) Public Works, Nay Pyi Taw (9.8.2010) on Payment of (FEC-1000). To enquiry contact Phone No-067 407577, 067-407581.
4. Only bid from tenderer who has purchased tender documents officially from Public Works will be accepted for evaluation.

Managing Director
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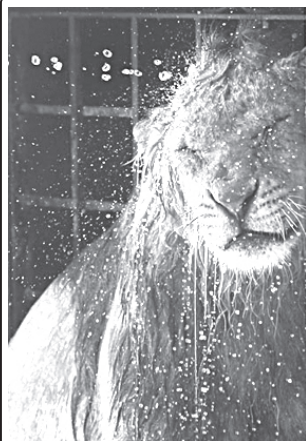
An Italian couple sits during lunch as Steve Black of Australia dives past their balcony in the lead up round four of the 2010 Red Bull Cliff Diving world series in Polignano a Mare on 5 Aug, 2010. Gary Hunt of England currently leads the six round series, with the fourth stop taking place this Sunday, on 8 August. — INTERNET

Sewage-powered car hits the road

LONDON, 7 Aug—A Volkswagen Beetle powered by gas from sewage has taken to the road for the first time in Britain. The Bio-Bug was launched by Wessex Water, which is

generating methane from human waste at a sewage treatment works near Bristol. The company claims the prototype is able to cover 10,000 miles annually on the waste from 70 households.

Mohammed Saddiq, of sustainable energy firm GENeco, which developed the prototype believes the car can 'blow away' electric cars and pave the way for a green motoring revolution. He says the increased production of bio gas will accelerate the growth in this still-nascent market. —Internet



A zoo keeper sprays water to cool a lion at Jordan's zoo in Yaduda near Amman on 4 August, 2010. Jordan has been swept by a heatwave since Friday with temperatures well above their seasonal average, reaching 40 degrees Celsius (104 degrees Fahrenheit) in Amman, according to local media on Wednesday.

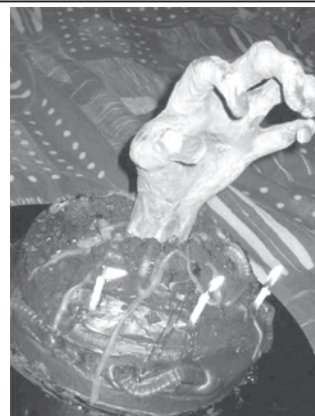
Apology after girl's lemonade stand shut down

A county official in Oregon has apologized after a 7-year-old's business venture was soured because health inspectors shut down her lemonade stand.

Multnomah County Chairman Jeff Cogen, the county's top elected official, said on Thursday that running a lemonade stand is a "classic iconic American kid thing to do."

He says he called Julie Murphy's mother, Maria Fife, to offer his apology and says she appreciated it.

Fife helped her daughter set up a lemonade stand last week at a local arts fair in northeast Portland. They had to pack up and leave after being approached by two inspectors who said the stand lacked a license. Cogen says while the inspectors were doing their job, the rules are meant for professional food service operators. He adds he ran lemonade stands as a child.



Sweet cake says: "I dare you!"

Newspaper: NZ gambler trumped by own casino ban

A man who won 60,000 New Zealand dollars (\$44,000) playing poker at an Auckland casino was refused the jackpot because he had banned himself from the premises for gambling too much, a newspaper reported on Friday. Sothea Sinn, 28, won the prize playing Caribbean stud poker at Auckland's Skycity Casino on Wednesday but casino staff refused to pay, saying he was banned at his own request. The Dominion-Post newspaper reported. "I was absolutely gutted," Sinn told the newspaper.

Sinn said that in 2004 he demanded the casino ban him and his girlfriend because he was gambling too much. He said he thought the ban had expired, but casino staff said he had agreed to undergo counseling before readmission and had not done so. Sinn said he would take his case to New Zealand gambling authorities.



Photo shows a 22-foot-long (6.7-meter-long) crocodile, which terrorized locals in a remote community in Australia. It has been shot by farmers. But two more giant crocodiles, even bigger than this one, are believed to be still there.

News Album

Oprah Winfrey Network picks Rosie O'Donnell to host new talk show

BEIJING, 7 Aug—The Oprah Winfrey Network signed Rosie O'Donnell to host a daily program scheduled to begin airing in 2011, the network announced Thursday.

"Rosie is an undeniable talent who has captivated TV audiences for nearly 20 years," Oprah Winfrey said in a statement. "She's a true original, who brings her authentic voice, dynamic energy and pure passion to everything she does."

O'Donnell earned six Daytime Emmys for

Outstanding Talk Show Host during her years on "The Rosie O'Donnell Show" from 1996 to 2002.

In 2006, she replaced Meredith Vieira as co-host and moderator of "The View".

The new program produced by O'Donnell will be a one-hour daily show based in New York.

"It's an honor and a privilege to work with Oprah Winfrey on her network," O'Donnell said in a statement. "I'm excited to be back on



Rosie O'Donnell
daytime television."
Internet

US actor Jaden Smith (R) poses with his sister Willow at the Japanese premiere of "The Karate Kid" in Tokyo on 5 August, 2010.

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Jia Zhangke given lifetime honour at Swiss Film Fest

BEIJING, 7 Aug — Chinese filmmaker Jia Zhangke has received a lifetime achievement honour from the Locarno International Film Festival in Switzerland.

The 40-year-old director accepted the Leopard of Honour in Locarno on Thursday (5 August).

Olivier Père, the festival's artistic director, said, "This is the first time that Locarno has given a Leopard of Honour to such a young filmmaker, but he is already one of the major names in world cinema."

The award joins Jia's collection of international awards that also include a Venice Golden Lion.

Jia's notable works include "Still Life", "24 City" and "Pickpocket". These art-house films have brought the



Chinese film director Jia Zhangke poses with the Leopard of Honour statuette at the 63rd Locarno International Film Festival in Locarno, Switzerland on Thursday, 5 August, 2010.

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director to the international limelight, but have yet to enter the domestic mainstream.

Xinhua

Prince Albert of Monaco visits the King of Rock

MEMPHIS, 7 Aug—Prince Albert of Monaco and his fiancée visited the home of the "King of Rock 'N' Roll" and sampled some barbecue during a vacation stop in Memphis.

The couple took a tour Thursday of Graceland, the 38-room mansion where Elvis Presley died in 1977 and is buried.

The prince says he always wanted to visit Graceland and calls Elvis an "extraordinary figure."

Internet



Kate Winslet is pictured with her rumoured new boyfriend Louis Dowler for the first time when she enjoys an afternoon of exercise with the British model in New York City.

INTERNET

SPORTS

Fabregas confirms he will stay at Arsenal



Cesc Fabregas

LONDON, 7 Aug — Cesc Fabregas confirmed on Friday he will stay at Arsenal this season after conceding he won't get his wish to rejoin Barcelona.

Fabregas met Arsene Wenger before the World Cup to ask the Gunners boss to let him move to the Spanish champions, sparking a summer-long saga of claim and counter-claim between the two clubs.

But the 23-year-old Spain midfielder, who quit the Nou Camp to join Arsenal as a teenager, was

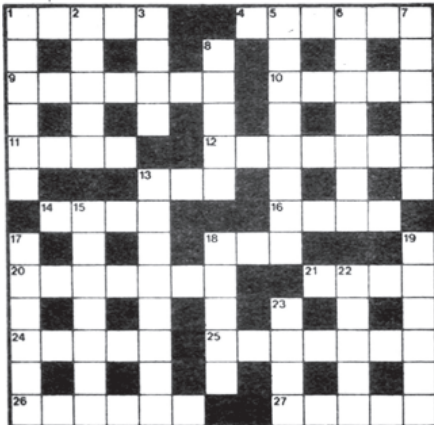
unable to persuade Wenger to accept Barca's offers of around 30 million pounds (47.7 million dollars) and has now announced he will remain at the Premier League club.

"Firstly I would like to apologise to all the Arsenal fans for not speaking sooner about my future but I have not known what I was going to do until this moment," Fabregas said in a statement. "I cannot deny that joining a club like Barcelona was not an attractive move for me.

"This was the club where I learned my football, it is my home town where my friends and family are and a club where I have always dreamed of playing. "There are not many players in the world who would not want to play for Barcelona.

Internet

CROSSWORDS PUZZLE



Across

- 1 Girl's name
- 4 Uniform
- 9 Fielding position (4,3)
- 10 Prickle
- 11 Fastener
- 12 Exact
- 13 Cereal
- 14 Hint
- 16 Relation
- 18 Snub-nosed dog
- 20 Small fish
- 21 Facts
- 24 Admitted
- 25 Prospect
- 26 Repeat performance
- 27 Fold

Down

- 1 Cat-like
- 2 Tedium
- 3 Is not well
- 5 As good as secured (sl.) (2,3,3)
- 6 Strong feeling
- 7 Pulled jerkily
- 8 Wide open
- 13 Wind instrument
- 15 Concise
- 17 Coax by flattery
- 18 Power-cable support
- 19 Short coat
- 22 Make amends
- 23 Pace

International club friendlies results

5 August		
Real Madrid	3 - 2	CF America
Palermo	1 - 2	Eintracht Frankfurt
Pen Levante	0 - 0	AS Roma
Parma	1 - 1	Racing Santander
6 August		
FC Dallas	2 - 2	Inter Milan
Fortuna Cologne	0 - 2	Bayer Leverkusen
FC Eindhoven	1 - 1	Ergotelis
FC Dordrecht	1 - 1	RKC Waalwijk
Aston Villa	0 - 0	Valencia
Wrexham	0 - 0	Stoke C.
Bolton W	2 - 0	Osasuna
Pen Cadiz	1 - 1	Atletico Madrid

Internet

Bellamy set for Wales return

CARDIFF, 7 Aug — Manchester City Craig Bellamy should make his first Wales appearance in 10 months after being named in John Toshack's squad to face Luxembourg in a friendly next week.

Bellamy has been absent from the last four Wales matches, but has been selected in a 23-man party for the clash at Llanelli's Parc Scarlets on Wednesday.

Millwall striker Steve Morison also features for the first time after pledging his allegiance to Wales, while Cardiff defender Darcy Blake could also be in line for a first cap.

Morison, who is eligible due to a Welsh grandparent, scored 23 goals as Millwall



Manchester City Craig Bellamy.—INTERNET

won promotion from League One last season and he could partner Bellamy next week. Bellamy's international future became the subject of speculation when Toshack overlooked him for a friendly against Sweden in March.

Internet

Liverpool face Turkish challenge in Europa League

NYON, 7 Aug — Former European champions Liverpool, who missed out on their accustomed Champions League place, will face Turkish side Trabzonspor

in the play-offs of the second-tier Europa League. The draw, staged at UEFA's headquarters on Friday, also pitted Manchester City against Timisoara of Romania, while Aston Villa face Austria's Rapid Vienna and Celtic meet Dutch side Utrecht.

This is the second successive season Villa and Vienna have met at this stage of the competition, with the Austrian side advancing on away goals last season.

Celtic dropped down to Europe's second tier club competition after defeat to Sporting Braga in the Champions League qualifiers.—Internet



Liverpool's Steven Gerrard celebrates after scoring a penalty against Rabotnicki Skopje.—INTERNET

Ancelotti quashes Coentrao talk

LONDON, 7 Aug — Carlo Ancelotti has rubbished reports Chelsea are ready to sign Benfica left-back Fabio Coentrao as a replacement for unsettled star Ashley Cole.

Ancelotti was linked with a move for Coentrao this week following claims Cole had told the Blues boss he wants to join Real Madrid to escape the recent scrutiny into his private life.

But Ancelotti is determined to keep Cole and, speaking on Friday ahead of Sunday's Community Shield clash with Manchester United, he said of the Coentrao rumours: "It's not true, totally rubbish."

While Ancelotti isn't



Carlo Ancelotti has rubbished reports Chelsea are ready to sign Benfica left-back Fabio Coentrao.—INTERNET

in the hunt for a replacement for Cole, he does want to bolster his options in midfield and is said to be close to signing Brazil midfielder Ramires from Benfica for around 18 million pounds.—Internet

Tigana relishing new French challenge

PARIS, 7 Aug — New Bordeaux coach Jean Tigana is relishing being back at the helm of a French side 11 years after leaving Monaco and having a spell in England with Fulham, the former France star said on Friday.

"Certainly I shall be a little emotional," the Euro 2004 winner admitted as



Newly appointed Girondins de Bordeaux coach Jean Tigana. INTERNET

he prepared for Sunday's trip to Montpellier.

"Preparations have gone well — there have been no major problems," said Tigana, who has to raise the bar for a Bordeaux side which won the league in 2009 to break a seven-year streak by Lyon but which last year fell away to miss out on European qualification altogether.

The club then lost coach Laurent Blanc to the French national side after the controversial reign of Raymond Domenech came to an ignominious close at the World Cup in South Africa.—Internet

Goosen takes 1-shot lead over Mickelson

AKRON, 7 Aug — Phil Mickelson is closing in on No 1. The first step is to make up a one-shot deficit against Retief Goosen, the 36-hole leader on Friday at the Bridgestone Invitational. Looking more inevitable is Mickelson finally supplanting Tiger Woods atop the world ranking.

Goosen turned bogey into birdie by chipping in from 25 yards off the green at No 4, sending him on his way to a 4-under 66 that gave him a one-shot lead over



Tiger Woods

Ma Yu Yu Mar (a) Mi Nge Aged 32

Daughter of (U Maung Maung) + Daw Babe Than at the first floor of No 165, 46th Street, Botahtaung Township, Yangon, daughter-in-law of U Aung Myint + Daw Than Myat, wife of Ko Min Min Htun, younger sister of Ko Tun Htwe-Ma Lei Lei Mar, Ma Soe Soe Mar, Ko Aye Thein+ Ma Thin Thin Mar and Ko Aung Soe Moe + Ma Swe Swe, aunt of Maung Lwin Bo Aung, Maung Ye Wai Yan Hein and Maung Htet Wai Yan Kaung, passed away at 3.55 pm on 6-8-2010. The funeral service will be held at Yayway Cemetery, noon on 10-8-2010. The buses will leave the house at 10 am on 10-8-2010.

Bereaved Family



Members of a summer camp from Russia learn Chinese five-step boxing during their tour at a martial club in Dalian, northeast China's Liaoning Province, on 7 Aug, 2010.

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MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (8-8-2010) (Sunday)

Transmissions

Local - (09:00am~11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission - (8-8-10 09:30 am ~ 9-8-10 09:30 am) MST

Times

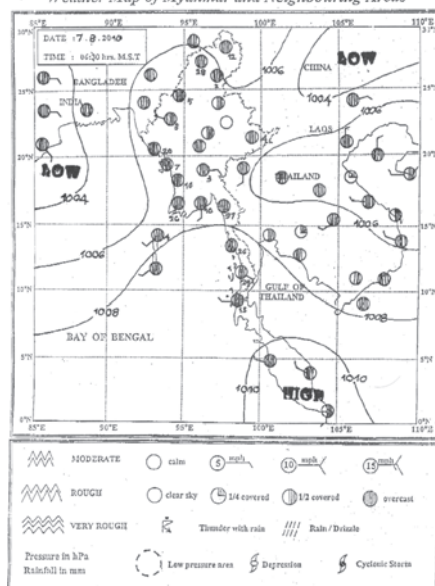
Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * "Myanmar Traditional and Culture" Tea
- * News
- * Today's Youths and Dancer Training Courses
- * Secret Places for Yummy Foods (Episode-2)
- * Flower Buds of Union
- * News
- * The Golden Land
- * News
- * A Step for Mitigation of Natural Disaster

Oversea Transmission

- * Opening
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- * News
- * A Step for Mitigation of Natural Disaster
- * News
- * Ywama Floating Market: A place of Matchlessness
- * Famous Pagoda Festival in Shwebo
- * News
- * Surprising Myanmar (Longyi)
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Traditional New Year Festivals in Myanmar
- * The Enchanting Ahkha Village
- * Myanmar Movie "I miss you painfully"

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Saturday, 7th August, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in lower Sagaing Division, rain or thundershowers have been scattered in Kayah State, Mandalay and Magway Divisions, fairly widespread in Kachin, Shan and Rakhine States, Bago Division and widespread in the remaining areas with locally heavy fall in Kayin and Mon States and Bago Division. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Airport) and Kalay (1.46) inches each, Nay Pyi Taw (Pynmana) (1.18) inches, Hpa-an (6.97) inches, Paung and Kawkaik (5.91) inches, Bilin (5.47) inches, Thaton (4.25) inches, Zaungtu (4.13) inches, Mawlamyine (3.86) inches, Mudon (3.35) inches, Chaungzon (3.31) inches, Bago (3.11) inches, Kyaikmaraw (3.30) inches, Magway (1.26) inches, NyaungU (0.86) inch and Chauk (0.71) inch.

Nay Pyi Taw Weather

Maximum temperature on 6-8-2010 was 89°F. Minimum temperature on 7-8-2010 75°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 7-8-2010 (92%). Rainfall on 7-8-2010 was (0.79) inch.

Yangon (Kaba-Aye) Weather

Maximum temperature on 6-8-2010 was 84°F. Minimum temperature on 7-8-2010 75°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 7-8-2010 (92%). Total Sunshine hours on 6-8-2010 was (Nil).

Rainfall on 6-8-2010 was (0.67) inch at Mingaladon, (0.40) inch at Kaba-Aye and (1.02) inches at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (45.63) inches at Mingaladon, (52.60) inches at Kaba-Aye and (61.77) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum windspeed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from South at (16:30) hours MST on 6-8-2010.

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

Forecast valid until evening of the 8th August 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Kayah State, lower Sagaing and Magway Divisions, scattered in Shan, Chin and Rakhine States and Mandalay Division, fairly widespread in Kachin State, upper Sagaing and Bago Divisions and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with likelihood of isolated heavy falls in Kayin and Mon States. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of decrease of rain in the Rakhine coastal areas.

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

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

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



Sunday, 8 August View on today

7:00 am

1. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၏ပရိတ်တရားတော်

7:15 am

2. အပိုဇယမင်္ဂလ (ယဉ်ဝေယံထွန်း၊ တေးရေး-ဝိတစာဆိုမျိုးနွယ်ဆွေ)

7:25 am

3. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

4. Morning News

7:40 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

7:50 am

6. ယဉ်ကျေးလွှာ (၃၈)ပြာမင်္ဂလာ

8:05 am

7. အကပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:15 am

8. "တက္ကသိုလ်သင်လို့ရာ"

8:30 am

9. "ရေအကျိုးဆယ်ပါး မတောင်းဘဲပြည့်စေသော"

8:40 am

10. International News

8:45 am

11. Musical Programme

11:00 am

1. Martial Song

11:10 am

2. Musical Programme

11:20 am

3. Round Up Of The Week International News

11:30 am

4. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ

"မပြယ်သောချစ်ခြင်း၊ မနွမ်းသောမေတ္တာ"

(အပိုင်း-၃၂)

12:30 pm

5. Golf Magazine (TV)

12:50 pm

6. မြန်မာ့ရုပ်ရှင်

"မြန်မာ့မော်ကွန်း"

(ဆန်နီနောင်ထွန်း)

ကျော်ကျော်ဝိုင်မူ၊

ထွန်းထွန်းအောင်၊ထက်လူ၊

သင်းသင်းယုလှိုင်၊

ဟောမန်အောင်အောင်၊

ဇင်မာအောင်၊နီငွေပွင့်

(ဒါရိုက်တာ-

စင်ရော်မောင်မောင်)

2:50 pm

7. International News

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

4:20 pm

3. Song Of National Races

4:25 pm

4. Musical Programme

4:35 pm

5. အစောင့်သင်တက္ကသိုလ်

ပညာရေးရုပ်မြင်သံကြား

သင်ခန်းစာ-ပထမနှစ်

(ဓါတုဗေဒအထူးပြု)

(ဓါတုဗေဒ)

5:00 pm

6. Songs For Uphold National Spirit

5:10 pm

7. "အာဆီယံအဖွဲ့ဝင်

မြန်မာနိုင်ငံ၏

ဆောင်ရွက်ချက်များ"

5:25 pm

8. Sing & Enjoy

6:00 pm

9. Evening News

6:15 pm

10. Weather Report

6:20 pm

11. တာဝန်အစီအစဉ်

"BUGS"

Adventures"

(အပိုင်း-၂၃)

6:40 pm

12. တစ်မျက်နှာတစ်ကွက်စာ

"မေတ္တာလမ်းမှခေတ်လေး"

(ဒုတိယပိုင်း)

(တေး၊ မိုးတစ်ပိုင်း)

ခိုင်ငြိမ်းခြင်း၊ကြည်နူးနိုင်

(ဒါရိုက်တာ-မေတင်

(MMG))

7:00 pm

13. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ

"အတိတ်ရဲ့ရုပ်"

(အပိုင်း-၄)

8:00 pm

14. News

15. International News

16. Weather Report

17. တာဝန်အစီအစဉ်

တာဝန်အစီအစဉ်

သိုင်းသိုင်းနောင်လေးများ"

(အပိုင်း-၄၉)

19. "နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ"

"ရေဆုံးခြေဆုံး"

(အပိုင်း-၁၀)



- ★ 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

New motor road under construction to link Hill Resort and Ruby Land

Article: *Kayan Soe Myint*; Photos: *Moe Myint Hlaing*

Recently, I was on a trip to observe construction of a new motor road from PyinOoLwin to Mogok for writing a byline on its progress. On 20 June, I arrived in Mandalay and then proceeded to PyinOoLwin by car.

I saw construction of the new road section along Thekkan-Nyaungdon-Medaw-Naungpein route

with the use of bulldozers and dumper trucks.

Public Works of the Ministry of Construction is undertaking extended construction and maintenance of roads and bridges as the main duty for ensuring secure and smooth transport and building a modern and developed new nation.

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New PyinOoLwin-Mogok Road expended to 34 feet wide earth road on a hill in Legyi Village of Mogok Township.



Medaw-Naungpein road section on PyinOoLwin-Mogok Road being constructed by Ayeya Shwewah Co in PyinOoLwin District.