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NAY PYI TAW, 19 Aug—The Union Election Commission issued Notification No. 92/2010 today. The translation of the notification is as follows:-

**The Union of Myanmar
Union Election Commission
Nay Pyi Taw
Notification No. 92/2010
9th Waxing of Wagaung 1372 ME
19 August 2010**

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The Union Election Commission granted permission to Kayin State Democracy and Development Party headquartered at No. (Hta Wa/80) on Strand Road in No. 7 Ward in Hpa-an Township of Kayin State, to register as a political party in accord with the Article 9 of the Political Registration Law as of 19 August 2010.

The registration number of Kayin State Democracy and Development Party is 41.

By order

Sd/ Win Ko
Secretary
Union Election Commission

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

Application for registration as political parties scrutinized, passed

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Aug—Among the parties that have applied for registration as political parties, the Union Election Commission found that the Kayin State Democracy and Development Party is in accord with Political Party Registration Rules and Regulations and thus it passed the registration of the party today.

Up to date, there were 47 parties that submitted applications to form or to subsist as political parties. Of 42 that submitted applications for registration as political parties forty one have been granted permission to register as political parties and the remaining parties are under scrutiny.

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Political parties submit lists of party members to UEC

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Aug—Political parties are to submit the lists of their members organized in accord with Political Parties Registration Rule 13 (a) to the Union Election Commission within 90 days as from the date they have been granted permission to register.

The Kayin State Democracy and Development Party submitted the list of party members to the Union Election Commission today. Up to date, nineteen of 41 parties that have been granted permission to register as political parties have already submitted lists of members of their parties to the Union Election Commission within the prescribed date.

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Yintaw Tank under maintenance for agriculture purpose in Pyawbwe



Photo shows the drain, feeder canal and bund of Yintaw Tank.

Article & Photos:

Aung Than
(Mingala
Taungnyunt)

Although Nay Pyi Taw is 77 miles far from Pyawbwe, I took two and a half hours for the drive due to smooth road. Pyawbwe of Yamethin District located in the central area of Myanmar has 32 inches of rainfall on average yearly. Thus,
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PERSPECTIVES

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Look forward to perpetual peace for serving national interests

The national consolidation plays a key role in ensuring perpetual existence of the Union. Due to historical experiences, all the national brethren accept the important role of national unity. They are safeguarding the nation through the united strength and participating in the respective sectors in building the nation.

At present, peace and stability has been restored across the nation. In consequence, infrastructures of economic, education, health and social sectors have emerged. Construction of roads and bridges contributes to better transport throughout the nation. Such images reflect progress of the Union.

As the government creates the equitable opportunities for the national brethren from both hilly regions and plains, border regions are gaining development momentum day by day. National race groups that have returned to the legal fold are also joining hands with the government in carrying out regional development tasks. As a result, local people are enjoying fruits of prevailing peace and development.

With the aim of ensuring security of the State and peace and stability of the border regions, the government is making arrangements for the national race groups that have returned to the legal fold enabling them to discharge duties as Border Guard Forces of the State legally holding arms. A ceremony to launch the Border Guard Forces of South-East Command took place in Myainggyingyu region of Hlaingbwe Township, Kayin State, on 18 August.

DKBA members now have the opportunity to discharge security duty in the border regions. They will surely serve the interests of national brethren with might and main.

Local people heartily welcome the emergence of Border Guard Forces. Looking forward to ensuring peace forever, the Border Guard Forces are to shoulder peace, stability, security and defence duties of the border regions steadfastly.

Chairman of Mandalay City Development Committee Mayor U Phone Zaw Han inspects repaving of Mandalay Circular Road (Dawnabwa section).

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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

School Health Week Activities held in Kachin State

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Aug—School Health Week Activities of Kachin State took place at No.1 Basic Education High School in Myitkyina on 13 August.

Chairman of Kachin State Peace and Development Council Commander of Northern Command Maj-Gen Soe Win made an opening speech. After that, the commander and officials presented awards to the schools that won school health awards.

The commander and officials inspected school health booths, feeding nutritious meals to children and fumigation in the school ward. The commander left necessary instructions.—MNA

Construction Minister receives Indian Ambassador, IWAI Project Coordinator

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Aug—Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint received a party led by Indian Ambassador to Myanmar Dr Villur Sandararajan Seshadri and Project Coordinator of IWAI Co Mr. Unni Neelakandan at his office here yesterday evening.

Both sides concentrated on construction of the road from Paletwa to Meikwa planning in Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport Project, maintenance of Kyekon-Kalewa road section on Kalay-Tamu road and upgrading of Reed-Tiddim road.

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Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint receives Indian Ambassador Dr Villur Sandararajan Seshadri and Project Coordinator of IWAI Co Mr. Unni Neelakandan and party.—CONSTRUCTION

MYANMAR GAZETTE

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Aug—The State Peace and Development Council has transferred Director-General U Maung Wai of the ASEAN Affairs Department under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as Director-General of International Organizations and Economic Department under the same ministry from the date he assumes charge of his duties.

The State Peace and Development Council has appointed the following persons as heads of service organizations shown against each on probation from the date they assume charge of their duties.

Name	Department
(a) U Tint Swe	Director-General
Deputy Director-General	ASEAN Affairs Department
ASEAN Affairs Department	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Ministry of Foreign Affairs	
(b) Daw Yin Yin Myint	Director-General
Deputy Director-General	Training, Research and Foreign Languages Department
Training, Research and Foreign Languages Department	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Ministry of Foreign Affairs	

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Mandalay Circular Road being upgraded

MANDALAY, 19 Aug—Chairman of Mandalay City Development Committee Mandalay Mayor U Phone Zaw Han on 9 August inspected groundwork for building a tarred road section of Mandalay Circular Road (Dawnabwa section) between 10th and 19th Streets.

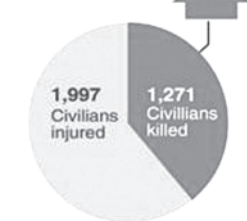
On his inspection tour, the mayor called for quality control, effective use of heavy machinery and worksite safety.

He inspected the conditions of Mandalay Circular Road (Kyweyaygon-Shweygyin section), and gave instructions on laying asphalt road section-wise.—NLM

Afghanistan: The human cost

Number of civilians caught in conflict soars during first six months of 2010 (compared with the same period last year)

3,268
total casualties



Child casualties

+ 55 %

Source: UNAMA Human Rights

AFP

Afghanistan civilian casualties
INTERNET

Attack wounds four NATO soldiers in Afghanistan

KABUL, 19 Aug—Four soldiers of the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) received injuries as they came under attack in east Afghanistan, a press release of the alliance said on Wednesday.

“Four International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) service members were wounded by a grenade in eastern Afghanistan on Tuesday,” the press release added.

ISAF and Afghan National Army forces were conducting a partnered patrol in the Sayyidabad District, Wardak Province, when the grenade was thrown from a mosque wounding four service members.

However, it did not identify the nationalities of the soldiers. Troops from Turkey and United States of America have been stationed in Wardak Province to ensure stability there.

The press release also confirmed that no one has been arrested in this regard and the wounded soldiers had been taken to hospital for medical treatment.

More than 330 NATO-led soldiers with 26 of them in August have been killed so far this year in Afghanistan. —Xinhua

An Iraqi policeman inspects a vehicle damaged in a roadside bomb attack targeted a police patrol in Baghdad, Iraq on 18 Aug, 2010.

INTERNET



Airstrike kills 18 militants in NW Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 19 Aug— At least 18 militants were killed and another ten injured Wednesday during a continued operation by Pakistan army in the northwestern tribal region of Pakistan, reported local media.

According to reports, Pakistan army conducted an airstrike against militants in Kurram agency, a tribal region bordering Hangu District in the northwestern Province Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa.

Pakistani army helicopters also took part in the operation shelling and destroying the hideouts of the miscreants. According to sources, Pakistani army cordoned off the area and started search operation.

In recent weeks, Pakistani army is busy in rescue and relief work in the country's worst-ever floods which so far has killed 1, 540 people and left 20 million people homeless.—Xinhua

16 injured in handgrenade attack in NW Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 19 Aug—At least 16 people were injured in a handgrenade attack on Thursday morning in district Bannu in the northwest Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Province of Pakistan, local media reported.

According to the reports, an unidentified person has attacked a shop with a handgrenade in the crowded downtown oil bazaar.

Police have cordoned off the area following the attack, but no suspects have been arrested.

All the injured have been shifted to the district headquarters hospital. Hospital sources said most of the injured are in stable condition.

No group has claimed responsibility for the attack.—Xinhua

Five killed in bomb, gunfire attacks in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 19 Aug— Five people were killed and ten others were injured in bomb and gunfire attacks in Baghdad and the Provinces of Salahudin and Diyala in central Iraq on Wednesday, the police said.

A policeman was killed and three people were wounded when a bomb hidden in a

garbage container outside a civil court in Tikrit, the capital of Salahudin Province, detonated in the morning, a provincial police source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

In Diyala, three people were killed when gunmen opened fire at a house in the village of Rabia near al-Sa'diyah

town, some 60 km north of the Provincial capital city Baquba, a source from Diyala's operations command told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

Also in Diyala, a joint US and Iraqi force raided a village in the al-Nida area, east of Baquba, some 65 km northeast of Baghdad, and traded fire with gunmen, killing one of them and arresting two others, the source said.

One of the two captured was wounded by the clash, the source added.—Xinhua



Residents mourn as they wait to claim bodies of bomb attack victims outside a morgue in Baghdad on 17 August, 2010. The toll from the suicide bombing at an Iraqi army recruitment centre on Tuesday rose to 47 killed and 77 wounded, a deputy health minister said.

INTERNET

Policeman killed in western Iraq suicide car bombing

RAMADI, 19 Aug—A policeman was killed and seven others injured on Wednesday in a suicide car bomb attack at a police base in west Iraq's Anbar Province, a provincial police source said.

“A suicide bomber rammed his booby-trapped car into the checkpoint at the entrance of the rapid reaction police base in the northwest of Ramadi, the provincial capital, some 110 km west of Baghdad,” the source from the Provincial operations

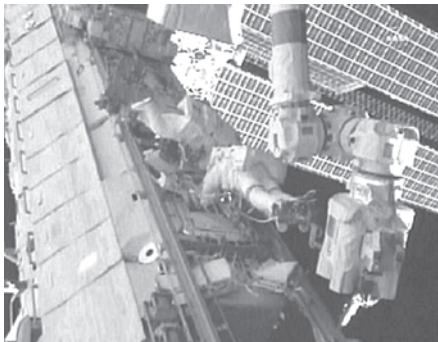
command told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

Iraqi security forces sealed off the area as ambulances were rushing the victims to hospitals in Ramadi, the source said. Insurgent attacks continue in the once volatile Anbar.

The Province has been relatively calm for nearly three years since Sunni tribes and anti-US insurgent groups turned to cooperate with the US troops and Iraqi security forces against the al-Qaeda network in Iraq. —Xinhua

Science

Space station cooling normally after spacewalk fix



In this photo taken from NASA television, Expedition 24 astronauts work outside the space station, on 16 Aug, 2010.—INTERNET

CAPE CANAVERAL, 19 Aug—The International Space Station is

operating normally again following a series of spacewalking repairs.

The crew installed a new ammonia coolant pump Monday. That enabled flight controllers to activate the coolant loop that was

knocked offline July 31st.

The orbiting lab needs two functioning cooling lines to keep on-board electronics from overheating.

NASA said Wednesday that all of the equipment that was turned off following the breakdown is running

again. Science research should resume Thursday.

The two US astronauts who performed the three spacewalks got some time off Wednesday. On Thursday, they will remove a jumper cable that provided cooling to equipment on the Russian side.—Xinhua

La Nina strongly predicted lasts longer in Indonesia

JAKARTA, 19 Aug—La Nina is strongly predicted lasts longer to January 2011 in Indonesia than previous forecast of August-September 2010, Kompas.com quoted an official as reporting on Thursday.

Manager of Earth System Technology Laboratory and Disaster Mitigation at the

Technology Study and Implementation Agency (BPPT) Fadli Syamsudin said that the phenomenon will trigger higher rain intensity.

"Thus, risks of flood and landslide in rainy season will be higher," Fadli said, adding that even though the peak of La Nina will occur in January, potential of heavy rain will remain

after the period.

Head of Sub-division on Extreme Climate at the Meteorology, Climatology and Geophysics Agency Kukuh Ribudiyanto confirmed that it is strongly predicted La Nina will occur in eastern Indonesian waters, causing higher rain intensity.—Xinhua

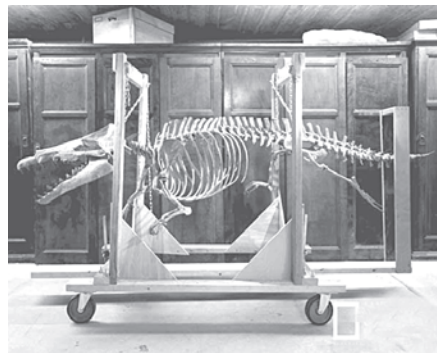
Vietnam to hold int'l sci-tech contest

HANOI, 19 Aug—Vietnam will hold an international contest on science and technology from 16 to 18 Dec, according to the Vietnam Fund for Technical Creativeness (VIFOTEC) at a press conference here on Thursday.

The contest, expected to draw 700 competitors from about 40 countries and regions, aims to promote the creativeness of Vietnamese and foreign teenagers.

The participants, at the age of between six and 19, will compete in the creation of learning equipment, software, toys, and proposals of environment protection and energy saving solutions.

Xinhua



The skeleton of a petrified primitive whale.

XINHUA

Technology

S Korea flooded with preorders for iPhone 4



A customer looks at an iPhone 4 at the Apple Store 5th Avenue in New York on 24 June, 2010.—XINHUA

SEOUL, 19 Aug—South Korea faced a larger-than-expected wave of preorders for the iPhone 4 on the day to start receiving reservations for the latest model of Apple Inc.'s smartphone, the local distributor said Wednesday.

According to South Korea's state-run KT Corp, it has received more than 60,000 preorders for the iPhone 4 in less than four hours since local time 6:00 am (2100 Tuesday GMT) when the preorder process began.

Due to greater-than-expected

influx of visitors which caused an overloading of the server, the KT's preorder website went through a delay for around an hour, the company said.

With continued preorders made throughout the day, KT said the actual shipment of the ordered smartphones will be made in September, without clearly settling the exact date.

The local telecommunication giant originally planned to release the iPhone 4 in July in South Korea, but later postponed the launch due to regulatory requirements.

Upon the arrival of Apple's new model in South Korea, local media expecting a more intense tug of war between Apple Inc.'s iPhone 4 and South Korean brand Electronics Co's Galaxy S.

Sales of Apple's previous model, the iPhone 3GS, have totalled to 850,000 since its launch in the nation at the end of 2009.

Xinhua

Top Indonesian telecommunication companies to team up in satellite service

JAKARTA, 19 Aug—Two giant Indonesian telecommunication operators PT Telkom and PT Indosat have agreed to jointly provide a satellite service in the country, the Jakarta Post quoted officials as saying on Thursday.

Under the agreement signed in Jakarta on Wednesday, the new satellite would replace Indosat's satellite, Palapa C-2 that will stop orbiting in 2014, Telkom president Rinaldi Firmansyah said following the signing of the agreement.

He said that Telkom and Indosat would spend up to 200 million US dollars to procure the new satellite, which would be also operated to meet the future need for high definition television (HDTV), and other telecommunication activities that require more bandwidth.

Telkom spent about 200 million dollars for its latest satellite, which has 48 transponders, while Indosat had spent around 2 trillion rupiah (about 223 million dollars) to buy a Palapa C-2 satellite, which only has 36 transponders.

Fadzri Sentosa, Indosat director and chief wholesale and infrastructure officer, said that both companies would do some preparation on the project starting this year, expecting the project to be accomplished in 2014.

Xinhua

Visitors play 'World of Warcraft' at their exhibition stand at the Gamescom 2010 fair in Cologne on 18 August, 2010. The Gamescom convention, Europe's largest video games trade fair, runs from 18 August to 22 August.

XINHUA



Health

Health Tip: Health advantages and disadvantages of teeth whitening

Teeth whitening picture having a sweet smile with bright white teeth would be a dream of every person. To get it, many people did tooth whitening or bleaching. What are really the health of advantages and disadvantages of bleaching/whitening your teeth? Teeth bleaching is usually done to eliminate the color yellow or dull teeth due to food scraps such as coffee, chocolate, cigarettes, drugs, or there is also a color change due to changes in the structure of teeth. According to Health24, there are some advantages and disadvantages of teeth whitening, which are:

Advantages

1. Dark or dull teeth can be cleaned in a relatively short time (from 4-5 days to 3 or 4 weeks)
2. Increase self confidence and gives good psychological effects
3. One can control the level of whiteness of their teeth

Disadvantages

1. People need to use bleaching trays for six to eight hours a day to gain maximum effect. The chemical used to whiten teeth can change the perception of taste and disturb digestion system.
2. Too often having tooth whitening can cause tooth hypersensitivity
3. Irritation of the soft tissue
4. Sore throat
5. Difficulty in biting
6. Bleaching teeth can be addictive.—Internet

Tai Chi serves as alternative treatment to fibromyalgia

LOS ANGELES, 19 Aug — Practicing Tai Chi, a Chinese exercise of slow body movements, may help ease fibromyalgia, a chronic pain condition, US researchers say.

Researchers at Tufts Medical Centre in Boston found out that fibromyalgia sufferers who practiced hour-long sessions of Tai Chi twice a week for 12 weeks felt less pain, less fatigue, depression and anxiety, enjoying an overall better quality of life in comparison with their counterparts who only had a twice-weekly wellness and stretching education class.

Patients in the Tai Chi group also reported better sleep quality and improved physical conditions, according to the researchers who published the findings in



Participants perform tai chi, a traditional form of Chinese martial arts in Beijing on recently.

XINHUA

the 19 Aug issue of the *New England Journal of Medicine*.

As only 66 patients were involved in the test, larger studies are needed to confirm the findings. But Tai Chi looks promising as an alternative treatment to fibromyalgia, the researchers noted.

Fibromyalgia is

characterized by widespread pain, fatigue, insomnia and multiple tender points. The syndrome can also cause psychological issues, including anxiety, depression, and memory and concentration problems, sometimes called the "fibromyalgia fog."

Xinhua

Over 1,400 patients treated with stem cells in Cuba

HAVANA, 19 Aug — Stem cell treatment was successfully applied to 1,478 patients in Cuba from 2004 to 2009, the government said on Monday.

About 74 percent of those treated suffered from inadequate blood supply to the lower limbs and diseases of the blood and lymph vessels unresponsive to conventional therapy, said Porfirio Hernandez, coordinator of the National Group for Regenerative Medicine.

There has also been an increase in stem cell treatments in orthopedics and traumatology, he said. Cuba started its stem cell research in 2003, focusing on angiology and heart diseases.

Xinhua

Business

Volvo Cars new chief vows to make it profitable

STOCKHOLM, 19 Aug — New Volvo Cars chief Stefan Jacoby on Wednesday vowed to do his best to make the company profitable.

He spoke to journalists at Volvo's Gothenburg headquarters before officially starting the job next Monday.

"We must find our right position and sharpen Volvo's roll, we must find our own way to position the company," Jacoby said.

"Volvo is a global company and it must have a global appearance. I look forward to working in a multi-cultural environment here," he said.

Jacoby reportedly has bought a house in Gothenburg near the Volvo headquarters,



New Volvo President Stefan Jacoby speaks to the media during his first appearance at the Volvo headquarters in Goteborg on 18 August, 2010.—INTERNET

indicating he sees a long-term future with the company.

"My job is to develop Volvo and that should be done independent from Geely," Jacoby said.

Born in Hannover in 1958, Jacoby studied economics in 1985 and then worked with Volkswagen. He has been in several senior positions in the German car company. —Xinhua

China's central Huijin to sell \$27.6 bln of bonds in first ever debt sale

BEIJING, 19 Aug — Central Huijin Investment Ltd., an arm of China's sovereign wealth fund, said on Thursday it will soon issue 187.5 billion yuan (27.6 billion US dollars) of Renminbi-denominated bonds in its first ever bond sale.

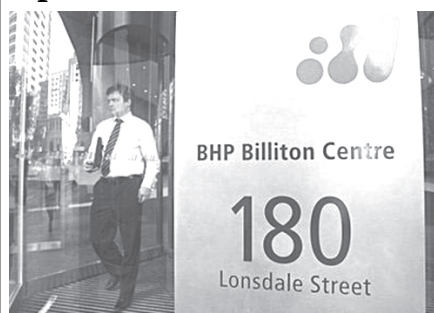
The capital raised will allow Huijin, which already controls China's largest banks, to further invest in the nation's five leading banks this year, the company said in a statement.

The bond sale has been approved by the People's Bank of China, China's central bank, the statement said. The mid- and long-term bonds will be sold on the inter-bank bond market. —Xinhua

India's leading vehicle maker Tata Motors may raise 700 million dollars through a share offering as part of a drive to cut its debt, a report said on Thursday.—INTERNET



European stocks drop at open, London down 0.52%



A man walks out of the headquarters miner BHP Billiton in Melbourne. Shares in mining giant BHP Billiton fell 1.46 percent in London after it unveiled a 40 billion dollars hostile bid for Canada's Potash Corp.

INTERNET

LONDON, 19 Aug — Europe's main stock markets fell at the start of trading on Wednesday, with London's benchmark FTSE 100 index down 0.52 percent at 5,322.77 points.

Frankfurt's DAX 30 shed 0.38 percent to 6,183.12 points and in Paris the CAC 40 dropped 0.34 percent to 3,650.52 points.

Shares in mining giant BHP Billiton fell 1.46 percent in London after it unveiled a 40 billion dollars hostile bid for Canada's Potash Corp.

Internet

Russia increases gas output by 19.3%

MOSCOW, 19 Aug—Gas production in Russia rose by 19.3 percent to 379 billion cubic metres from January to July in 2010 year-on-year, RIA Novosti news agency reported on Monday.

In July 2010, Russia's gas production rose 0.5 percent month-on-month. Compared to July 2009, gas production rose 5.8 percent, to 43.885 billion cubic metres. Gazprom, Russia's largest gas producer, increased its output in July by 3.2 percent year-on-year to 33.496 billion cubic metres.

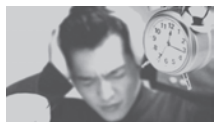
Russia's gas export for seven months of 2010 rose 36 percent to 103.604 billion cubic metres. Meanwhile, gas export dropped in July by 21.9 percent, down to 11.862 billion cubic metres.

Internet



Moscow is to ban sales of spirits and other strong alcohol at night and in the early hours of the morning in a bid to wean Russia off one of its biggest health scourges.—INTERNET

Study shows negative lifestyle raise teen headache risk



WASHINGTON, 19 Aug — Teens who are overweight, get little exercise or who smoke may be more likely to have frequent headaches and migraines than teens with none of these factors, according to a study published on Wednesday in the online issue of *Neurology*, the medical journal of the American Academy of Neurology.

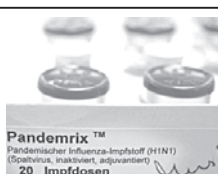
As part of the study, 5,847 students age 13 to 18 in Norway were interviewed by nurses about headaches and their weight and height measurements were taken.

They also completed a questionnaire about physical activity and smoking. Out of the group, 36 percent of girls and 21 percent of boys reported having recurrent headaches within the last year. A total of 16 percent of the students were overweight,

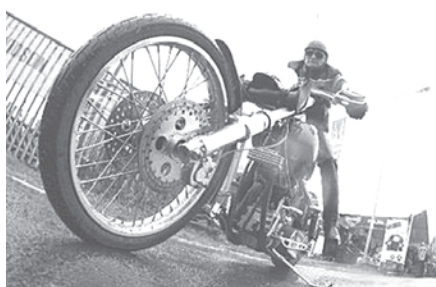
19 percent were smokers, and 31 percent exercised less than twice a week.

The study finds that teens with all three of the negative lifestyle factors were 3.4 times more likely to have frequent headaches than those with none of the negative lifestyle factors. Those with two negative factors were 1.8 times more likely to have frequent headaches. Overweight teens were 40 percent more likely to have frequent headaches than those with no negative factors. Teens who smoked were 50 percent more likely to have frequent headaches, and teens who exercised less than twice a week were 20 percent more likely to have frequent headaches than those who exercised at least twice a week and had no other negative factors.

Xinhua



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A customised Harley-Davidson motorcycle is pictured during the Friendship Ride Germany 2010, a Harley-Davidson motorcycle meeting in Gersfeld near Fulda, on 15 August, 2010.

INTERNET

Gold extends gains on fund-buying

CHICAGO, 19 Aug—Gold futures on the COMEX Division of the New York Mercantile Exchange climbed for the third consecutive day on Wednesday on a new round of fund-buying, despite a stronger US dollar. Silver and platinum both dropped.

The most active gold contract for December delivery rose 3.1 dollars, or 0.3 percent, to finish at 1,231.4 dollars per ounce.

The dwindling fears over a global economic slowdown, along with profit-taking triggered by the recent spike in gold prices, weighed on the bullion early Wednesday, and the rebound in the dollar also applied some pressure on the precious metal. Gold opened lower while the dollar rallied off its lows.

However, the fact that gold has managed to bounce off a key technical level triggered a steady stream of fund-buying, which supported the bullion to offset the negative influence of the weakness in crude oil as well as in the general commodities markets and surge during the mid-session.

Meanwhile, the early weakness in the US equity markets also fostered some flight to quality anxiety on Wednesday and helped gold to end moderately higher.

September silver lost 19.6 cents, or 1.1 percent, to settle at 18.399 dollars per ounce. October platinum dipped 10.1 dollars, or 0.7 percent, to 1,536.5 dollars per ounce.—Xinhua

Facebook offers location-based service to users



Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg talks about the social network site's new localization services called 'Places' during a news conference in Palo Alto, Calif on 18 Aug, 2010.—XINHUA

BEIJING, 19 Aug — Facebook on Wednesday announced the introduction of a location-based service called "Places" for the popular social network.

With the help of the Places, users with smartphones could share their whereabouts with friends while on the

move.

"Facebook members can 'check-in' at restaurants, bars, or other social venues and let their friends at the social network instantly know where they are and with whom."

Given the large number of Facebook users, the new services could help Facebook grab a bigger piece of a local advertising market driven by small businesses like restaurants and stores.

Xinhua

Ampullas containing the flu vaccine Pandemrix for swine flu made by British pharmaceutical company GlaxoSmithKline, suspected of provoking narcolepsy.—INTERNET

China's yuan weakens against US dollar Thursday

BEIJING, 19 Aug—The value of China's currency Renminbi (RMB) weakened against the US dollar Thursday as the central parity rate of the yuan was set at 6.7898 per US dollar, higher than the 6.7895 Wednesday, according to the data released by the China Foreign Exchange Trading System.

China's central bank announced on 19 June this year that it would further the reform of the formation mechanism of the yuan exchange rate to improve its flexibility.

Xinhua

Secondhand smoke levels up

BEIJING, 19 Aug — A tobacco usage survey of Chinese people released on Tuesday shows a big increase in the rate of exposure to secondhand smoke among Chinese people. The rate jumped from 53 percent in 2002 to about 73 percent in 2010. Nearly 770 million non-smokers are exposed to secondhand smoke, the survey said.

"It seems that little improvement was made in the exposure to secondhand smoke," said Yang Gonghuan, director of the tobacco control office of the CDC. "The exposure rate in China is increasing sharply and the number is amazing," said Douglas Bettcher, director of the WHO

Tobacco Free Initiative.

The statistics from the WHO show secondhand smoke kills 600,000 people around the world. The number in China is estimated at 100,000.

"If no improvement is made, the deaths due to smoking in China will grow to 2 million by 2030 and it will keep increasing to 3 million in 2050," Yang said.

"There is no safe level of exposure to secondhand smoke. If non-smoking areas are not completely separated from the smoking areas, the harm to our health will be the same," said Zhi Xiuyi, a professor at the Capital Medicine University.—Xinhua



A boy lights a cigarette for his father recently in Shaoyang, Hunan Province. XINHUA

Agricultural fair opens in Changchun

CHANGCHUN, 19 Aug— The ninth China International Agricultural and Food Fair opened on Wednesday in Changchun, capital of northeast China's Jilin Province, underscoring the country's efforts to ramp up agricultural production and trade in the wake of the deadliest floods in a decade.

The 10-day fair attracted more than 600 agricultural enterprises from home and abroad to participate and over 40 projects were expected to be signed during the 10 days. The fair's organizing committee said it expected the fair would further boost growth in the province's agricultural sector.

Jilin is one of the most important commodity grain bases in China. However, recent flooding, which affected 1.25 million hectares of crops as of 10 Aug, raised public expectations of higher food prices during the second half of the year.

"Such a large fair will help boost farmers' enthusiasm about agricultural production and ease consumers' expectations of a hike in food prices," Zhang Zhenghe, professor with China Agricultural University said.

The agricultural trade and investment promotional event was jointly sponsored by the Ministry of Agriculture, Jilin provincial government and Changchun municipal government.—Xinhua



The photo shows huge pumpkins exhibited in the Ninth Changchun International Agricultural Products Trade Fair held in Changchun, capital of northeast China's Jilin Province on 18 Aug, 2010.

XINHUA



Local residents of the Miao ethnic group play Lusheng (Reed Pipe) during a sacrifice ceremony in Longli County of Qiannan Buyi and Miao Autonomous Prefecture, southwest China's Guizhou Province, on 16 Aug, 2010. A traditional ceremony of sacrifice was held in the county on Monday to pray for peace and harmony.

XINHUA

Brazil committed to developing science, technology

RIO DE JANEIRO, 19 Aug— Brazil will speed up science and technology development as investments in those areas will reach 41 billion reais (23.4 billion US dollars) by the year's end, Minister of Science and Technology Sergio Rezende said on Wednesday.

"Brazil was trying to accelerate scientific development via cooperating with other developing countries," the minister said. He cited achievements in this area.

The number of local scientists' articles published in international

journals has sharply increased over the past few years and surpassed those submitted by Russian and Dutch scientists. The government's science and technology projects also remained unscathed despite the global financial crisis.

Earlier this week, Rezende attended the opening ceremony of the Third International Congress of Free Software and Electronic Government (CONSEGI), an important forum held in Brazil to exchange technological experiences and information.

Xinhua

Heidi Montag's plastic surgeon killed in car crash

BEIJING, 19 Aug— Frank Ryan, 50, the doctor responsible for Heidi Montag's total transformation, died in a car crash, media reported on Wednesday. The California Highway Patrol says Ryan's 1995 Jeep Wrangler went off the side of Pacific Coast Highway near Malibu and landed on its roof on Monday afternoon. Montag took to her Twitter to express her condolences for the deceased plastic surgeon.

"He was the most amazing person I have ever known. He was an angel and changed my life and the lives of everyone he met. He was the most brilliant talented surgeon who will ever exist. Dr Frank Ryan changed the world."

Ryan had operated on many famous Hollywood stars including Heidi, Gene Simmons, Shauna Sand, Vince Neil and Adrienne Curry.

A candlelight vigil will be held at 7:30 pm on Tuesday at Malibu's Zuma Beach.—Internet

Over 100 Tolstoy's descendants flood to Russia's Tula

MOSCOW, 19 Aug— Over 100 descendants of Russia's world-famous novelist Leo Tolstoy have flooded his famous estate in the Tula region to commemorate the centenary of his death, reported Interfax news agency on Tuesday.

Russian media said that Tolstoy's descendants, whose total number is some 350, live in more than 25 countries currently. On Monday, they came to Yasnaya Polyana, the birth place and the famed estate of Tolstoy, to participate in the commemoration.

A museum and a nature reserve were established in Tula, where is now one of the most popular places of tourist attraction. Leo Tolstoy, or Lyev Nikolayevich Tolstoy, was born in 1828 and died in 1910. He was widely regarded as one of the world's greatest novelists, whose masterpieces include "War and Peace" and "Anna Karenina."

Internet



An African business woman showcasing goods with unique African flavour to customers in Guangzhou.—INTERNET



A piece of art work with light is seen during a creative culture & art carnival in Beijing, capital of China on 16 Aug, 2010. The weeklong carnival kicked off here Monday.—XINHUA

20 Macao students receive gov't scholarships for further studies

MACAO, 19 Aug— Macao's education authority has announced the list of 20 student applicants who received the government scholarships that will help them further their studies at top universities worldwide, the Macao Post Daily reported on Thursday.

The scholarship was jointly established by Macao's education and Youth Affairs Bureau and the Macao Foundation.

The aim of this scholarship programme is to offer more chances for local students to achieve their educational goals in Macao and other regions, the daily quoted Sou Chio Fai, director of the Bureau, as saying.

A total of 96 local students have received the scholarships ever since 2006, according to the Bureau. Sou also said that the Bureau will review the situation every year to update the subjects that encourage students to study.—Xinhua

SWRR Minister receives UK Ambassador



Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Maung Maung Swe receives Ambassador of the United Kingdom Mr Andrew Richard Heyn and DFID's Asia Director Group.

MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Aug—Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Maung Maung Swe received Ambassador of

the United Kingdom Mr Andrew Richard Heyn and DFID's Asia Director Group at the Ministry here, this morning.

They cordially discussed matters related to social welfare, relief and resettlement.

MNA

Secretary of Kayah State Election Subcommission meets township/ward/village subcommissions

YANGON, 19 Aug—Secretary of Kayah State Election Subcommission U Khin Maung Yi yesterday met members of Dimawhso Township and Ward/Village Election Subcommissions, polling booth officers, deputy polling booth officers and members in Dimawhso and called for timely completion of polling stations and elaborated on duties and functions to be carried out at the stations.

Later, they viewed the demonstration of voting.—MNA

New Mobile phone accessories in Life Style & Car Expo 2010

YANGON, 19 Aug—New Mobile will exhibit its accessories in Life Style & Car Expo 2010, which will be held at Tamadaw Convention Centre on U Wisara Road here from 20 to 23 August.

Its displays are CDMA (800MHz), CDMA (450MHz), GSM

and variety of handsets. New Mobile offers customers any discount in buying phone accessories.

Those wishing to buy New Mobile handsets may contact No 271/273, Bo Aung Kyaw Street (Middle Block), Kyauktada Township, Ph : 01-386594 or 09-5091282.—MNA

Talks on New Perspectives on Tuberculosis on 28 August

YANGON, 19 Aug—The Society of Microbiology under Myanmar Medical Association will organize the talks on New Perspectives on Tuberculosis at the hall of MMA on Theinbyu Street, here, from 9 am to 12 noon on 28 August.

Professor Dr Kyi Kyi Thin and Professor Dr U Win Naing of Univer-

sity of Medicine-1, Professor Dr U Saw Win of University of Medicine-2 and Specialist (Rtd) Dr Daw Ti Ti of National TB Control Project will give talks.

Those wishing to attend the talks may register at Microbiology Department of UM-1 in Lanmadaw Township and UM-2 in North Okkalapa Township and Auditorium-A of MMA.—MNA

Yintaw Tank under maintenance for agriculture...

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the local people need water for consumption and for agricultural purpose.

In mid-May 2010, I made a visit to Nay Pyi Taw and Meiktila. On my way passing Pyawbwe, I saw the land preparations for construction of the earth embankment with the use of heavy machinery. I have learnt that the ground works were being undertaken for maintenance of Yintaw Tank. Therefore, I took photos on progress of work and

presented them as photo news in the Myanmar Alin daily recently. Now, I heard good news that the maintenance of the tank has completed in a short period, I visited the place again.

Yintaw Tank was maintained by Irrigation Department (Maintenance) of Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana Township. The bund of the tank is 24100 feet long and 20 feet high. The space on the bund is 14 feet in width. The bund is not only for the strolling of people but also for the



"The tank is being maintained for greening the arid region and for irrigating farmlands."
U Talang Kyar
(Staff Officer)
Irrigation Department
(Maintenance).

drive of motor vehicles.

The interior of the bund is decorated with gravel-filled walls. In-charge of Yintaw Tank Chin national Staff Officer U Talang Kyar explained maintenance of the tank.

He said, "Yintaw Tank was built in the time of Myanmar monarchs and it had been maintained through concerted efforts of local people in the successive eras. Only manpower was used, the bund was not strong enough and it often gave away in the rainy season. In consequence, the Yangon-Mandalay Highway was inundated, and only emergency repair and maintenance works could be undertaken for the tank. At present, the bund of the tank is under reconstruction with the use of heavy machinery. So, it is no longer necessary to worry about damages of the bund. If the tank overflows, water can be drained out through the spillway."

Yintaw Tank is not like a lake, but like a dam. It has a water control tower and a spillway. The bund is systematically constructed with the conduit, canal, water depth measurement post and the drain.



A bowser watering grass on the bund wall of Yintaw Tank.

Greening grass is being nurtured along the slope of the bund with the use of showers by a water bowser daily. I witnessed a figure 1952 at the old sluice gates, and so it is 85 years old. On arrival at the tank, I saw a small area of the tank covered with water. According to the local people, during the heavy rain, the region can store a large amount of rainfalls in a single night.

Yintaw Tank is located on Meti Creek near Yintaw Village of Pyawbwe Township. It can store 3664 acre-feet of water and it has then 840 acres of water surface. It has been installed with six conduits and is irrigating 2400 acres of farmlands and supplying drinking

water to the local people. There are three spillways. Maintenance of the tank commenced on 28 January and completed on 15 May. During the period of three and a half months, all maintenance works completed with K 282.14 million allocated by the State.

Maintenance of the tank has been undertaken thoroughly to be able to supply potable water for local consumption and for agricultural purpose by spending a large sum of money. The local people are to cooperate with departmental personnel in maintaining the water tank for its durability.

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Myanmar Alin: 18-8-2010



Southern feeder canal of Yintaw Tank irrigating 2,400 acres of farmlands.

Indian, UK ambassadors call on Health Minister



Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint receives Ambassador of the United Kingdom Mr Andrew Richard Heyn and party.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Aug—Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint received Indian Ambassador Dr Villur Sundararajan Seshadri at the Ministry of Health, here, this morning.

Their discussions focused on cooperation in health sector between the two countries, matters related to the projects to be undertaken at Children's Hospitals in Yangon and Sitway and prospect to coop-

erate with India in health sector.

Likewise, Ambassador of the United Kingdom Mr Andrew Richard Heyn and party called on Minister Dr Kyaw Myint at 10.30 am today.

They discussed continuous programme for health care services to be cooperated with 3D Fund. Also present at the calls were Deputy Minister Dr Mya Oo, departmental heads and officials.—MNA

D-G leaves for the PRC to attend GMS-BF

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Aug—At the invitation of Secretariat of Greater Mekong Subregion Business Forum (GMS-BF), Director-General U Khin Maung Lay of Directorate of Trade of the Ministry of Commerce together with Vice-President U Win Aung of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry, EC U Aung

Khin Myint on 15 August left Yangon to attend Seminar on High Efficient and Convenient Coordination Mechanism on GMS Logistics held in Nanning in Guangxi Zhuang autonomous region of the People's Republic of China on 18 August. They were seen off by President of the UMFCCI U Win Myint and responsible persons at

Yangon International Airport.

The delegation will continue to attend 16th GMS Ministerial Conference in Hanoi of Vietnam on 19 August, GMS-BF Board of Directors Meeting in Vietiane of Laos on 23 August and Japan-Mekong Industry Government Dialogue in Danning of Vietnam on 25 August.—MNA



Director-General U Khin Maung Lay of Directorate of Trade, Vice-President U Win Aung of UMFCCI and EC U Aung Khin Myint seen at the airport before departure for China.—MNA

Town Hall, glory of Bogale...

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I saw a new building, decorated with landscape and *shorea robusta* (Ingin) park which is a glory of Bogale, at the corner of Shwethweyin road and Seinpan road. I had an interview with Township Chairman and townsenders about the Town Hall. The chairman said that Minister for Forestry arrived here soon after the Nargis hit the township. "Under the leadership of the Minister, rehabilitation of the township was carried out

day and night, and it has returned to normal condition soon. The emergence of the Town Hall witnessed that how the township become more developed. In order to carry out resettlement, rehabilitation and reconstruction tasks with close supervision, the ministers were sent to the storm-affected regions as region's incharges," he added.

U Mya Thein, a townselder, said, "This town Hall was donated and built by MRT Co. Local residents pay gratitude to

MRT Co for construction of the hall."

It is a RC structure measuring 137x82x20. Its hall area is 98 feet in length and 66 feet in width and can hold 700 people. Hall construction started on 2 July, 2009 and was completed on 31 December. Myanmar Rice Trading (MRT) Co built it at a cost of K 337 millions. Before the Nargis, there was a concrete building roofed with CI sheets in the township. The building which was not in conformity with town characteristics collapsed due to the Nargis. In line with the guidance of the state, the Minister



The opening ceremony of Town Hall of Bogale in progress.

managed to build it to be better building than before by being affiliated with MRT Co. MRT Co donated 2754 bags of rice and 54 rolls of tarpaulin

worth K 50 millions to storm victims. The Co also sold power thrillers to farmers with three years installment. The Co built the Town Hall with installment money after receiving money from them. After that, they designated a place to build a Townhall. An arrangement was being made by the State to build a Gymnasium in collapsed Town Hall. So, a block measuring 365 feet long and 108 feet wide was chosen. And the town hall was decorated with landscaping, flowering plants and *shorea robusta* (Ingin) park on the facade of the Town Hall. A total of 3317 shade trees were planted around the Town Hall environs and installed with tree guards.

Thanks to the emergence of the Town Hall, wedding and other ceremonies could be held there on a grand scale. Arrangement has been made in order that VIP can stay there. Likewise, gymnasium and 100-bed hospital will emerge soon.

After the 1990s, socio-economic status of local people became improved and developed. But, the Nargis crippled the development of the township. Thanks to state, donors and local people, the township regains its more superb condition rather than before in the short run. So, Bogale Township is like phoenix Bird.

Translation: MT Kyemon: (16-8-2010)



A gymnasium built in Bogale.

Indonesian gov't invites private sector to build 14 new airports

JAKARTA, 19 Aug—Indonesia's Transportation Minister Freddy Numberi said on Wednesday that the government encourages private sector to take part in the construction of 14 new it planned to build starting next year. "Principally if the private sector wants to join, just go ahead," Freddy said.

Freddy explained that the new airports will mostly be built in the eastern parts of Indonesia, such as West Nusa Tenggara and Bali Provinces.

"In West Nusa Tenggara it is still in process. In Bali we will build another one since the existing Ngurah Rai airport has already been over capacity," he said.

Meanwhile in the same occasion, the ministry's spokesperson Bambang S Ervan added that the 14 new airstrips were planned to be built in Seram (Kuffar), Bone, Enggano, Muara Bungo, Muara Teweh, Morowali, Saumlaki Baru, Sinak Baru, Tojo Una-Una, Tual Baru, Wagete Baru, Waisai Raja Ampat, Nam Niwel and Sumarorong.

Xinhua



People visit a painting exhibition named "Artistic Beauty of Taipei County" at the Zhejiang Art Gallery in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province, on 18 Aug, 2010. The 12-day painting exhibition opening on Wednesday displayed 82 works by eight artists of Taipei County in southeast China's Taipei.—XINHUA

13 die in road accident in southern Punjab, Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 19 Aug—At least 13 people died and 30 others were injured on Wednesday in a road accident in southern Pakistan's province of Punjab, local media reported.

According to the reports, the accident occurred when a passenger bus hit loaded trailer parked on the roadside of the main by-pass road of the Bahawalpur city in southern Punjab.

Police said that the careless driver of the ill-fated bus tried to pass another bus from the wrong side and hit a parked trailer which killed 13 passengers on the spot.

All the 30 injured have been rushed to nearby hospitals where eight of them are reported in severe condition.

Xinhua

Some visitors pose with a 50feet-tall dinosaur sculpture "Luna Park" on Southsea Common, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, the United States. The enormous animal is a creation by artistic duo Heather and Ivan Morison. The artists explain in their website that their monster is based on the mythical "Ultrasauros."—INTERNET



17 killed, several trapped as school roof collapses in northern India

NEW DELHI, 19 Aug—At least 17 children were killed and several others feared trapped in the debris after the roof of a school building collapsed following a cloudburst in the northern state of Uttarakhand on Wednesday, a senior police official said.

"The incident happened in Uttarakhand's Bageshwar district today. The roof of the Shishu Mandir school at Sumgad village collapsed when suddenly there were heavy rains due to a cloudburst. Some 17 bodies have been recovered so far, and many others are feared trapped in the debris," the official said.

"Ambulances have been deployed. Communication is difficult as connectivity in the area is poor. We will do our best in rescue efforts," he added.

A probe has been ordered into the mishap, the official said.—Xinhua



Newlyweds attend the ceremony during a group wedding in Pingdingshan, central China's Henan Province, on 16 Aug, 2010. A total of 77 newlyweds took part in the mass wedding on "Qixi" festival which falls on Chinese lunar on 7 July and is regarded as the Chinese Valentine's Day.—XINHUA

Japanese helicopter crashes into sea

TOKYO, 19 Aug—A Japanese helicopter belonging to the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism fell into the sea in western Japan on Wednesday afternoon, according to NHK.

Five people were on board when the Japan Coast Guard helicopter crashed off Kagawa Prefecture, after barging in on electrical cables at 3 pm local time (0600 GMT), the public broadcaster said. It took off from an air base in Hiroshima at 1: 45 pm local time.

Rescue workers formed by Japan Coast Guard and local police found part of the helicopter wreckage at sea. The rescue work is still under way and authorities are investigating the incident.

The crash had caused a power blackout



Rescuers try to salvage a crashed helicopter on the sea at Kagawa Prefecture, Japan, on 18 Aug, 2010. Five people were on board when the Japan Coast Guard helicopter crashed off Kagawa Prefecture, after barging in on electrical cables at 3 pm local time (0600 GMT), the public broadcaster said.

XINHUA

in a small island of the western prefecture, affecting some 100 households.

Xinhua

22 killed in northwestern Indian road accident

MUMBAI, 19 Aug—At least twenty-two people were killed in northwestern Indian truck accident on Wednesday evening, local media reported.

Xinhua

67 missing after mudslides in Yunnan

BEIJING, 19 Aug—Local authorities say at least 67 people are missing after mudslides slammed a remote town in southwest China's Yunnan Province early Wednesday. 7 others are injured. The mudslides struck close to an iron ore mine at about 1am.

Days of torrential rains triggered the mudslides in Puladi Township, in Drung-Nu Autonomous County of Gongshan. Roads, power supplies and telecommunications have been cut.

Xinhua

Rescuers and residents carry out the rescue work in mudslides-hit Puladi Township of Gongshan Drung-Nu Autonomous County, southwest China's Yunnan Province.—XINHUA



PC maker Lenovo turns to profit on China sales

BEIJING, 19 Aug—Lenovo Group, the fourth-largest personal computer maker, said on Thursday it rebounded to a quarterly profit from a loss a year earlier, driven by strong sales in China and other emerging markets.

Profit was \$55 million for the three months ending on 30 June, or 54 cents per share, compared with a \$16 million loss last year, the company said.

Lenovo has tried to build on its dominance in China and expand in other developing markets to offset weakness in Western

economies amid the global crisis — a tactic that chairman Liu Chuanzhi said was working.

“Our performance was strong globally, Lenovo has a clear strategy when and where to focus on gaining share, and when and where to focus on maximizing profit, and we executed that strategy well,” Liu said in a statement.

The company said its share of the global PC market rose to 10.2 percent, its first double-digit figure to date.

Lenovo was hit hard by the global economic crisis,

which prompted its core corporate customers to slash purchases.

The company acquired IBM Corp's PC unit in 2005 and expanded into wireless computing this year, launching its first smart phone and two Web-linked portable computers in January.

In China, sales rose to \$2.5 billion, accounting for 48.7 percent of worldwide sales, said the company, which has headquarters in Beijing and in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

Internet



File photo show, a man adjusts a Lenovo display at a high-tech exhibition in Beijing, China. Lenovo Group, the fourth-largest personal computer maker, said on 19 Aug, 2010, it rebounded to a quarterly profit from a loss a year earlier, driven by strong sales in China and other emerging markets.



Drivers with their autos from Germany, Switzerland and Australia (from L to R) wait for the start of the Zero Race in front of the Palace of Nations in Geneva, Switzerland, on 16 Aug, 2010. Four Teams from German, Switzerland, Australia and South Korea begin the race with their zero emission autos. The Zero Race will last 80 days and cover a distance of 30,000 kilometres in 150 cities of 16 countries and regions, including China's Shanghai.—XINHUA

Six people killed in house fire in US state of Oklahoma

HOUSTON, 19 Aug—Six people were killed Monday morning in a house fire in the US state of Oklahoma, authorities said.

Those killed in the fire in Weleetka county, east Oklahoma, included two adults and four children aged between a few months and 11, said JoAnne Sellars, assistant state fire marshal. A 9- or 10-year old boy escaped the fire and ran to a neighbour's house to call the fire department, said Sellars.

Authorities were investigating the cause of the fire which gutted the single-storey family house, she said.—Xinhua

German stocks open higher

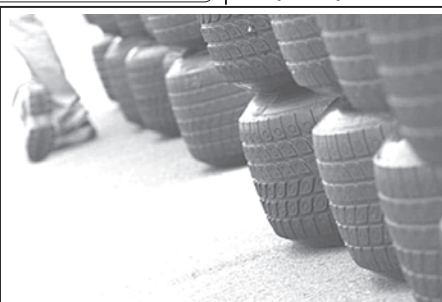
BERLIN, 19 Aug—German stocks opened higher on Thursday at the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The DAX, index of 30 big companies, climbed 38.08 points, or 0.62 percent, to 6,224.39 at 09:02 local time (0702 GMT).

The index of medium-sized firms, MDAX, added 40.05 points, or 0.48 percent, to 8,470.67.

The TecDAX, the index of technology companies, gained 3.09 points, or 0.41 percent, to 760.58.

Xinhua



South Korea's biggest tyre producer Hankook Tire plans to invest 1.2 billion dollars to build a manufacturing plant in Indonesia, a report said on Thursday.

INTERNET

Girlfriend convicted of killing Healdsburg man

HEALDSBURG, 19 Aug—A Healdsburg woman was convicted of first-degree murder today for killing her boyfriend, after jurors rejected her defence that she had been battered by the victim.

Sheyna Douprea, 25, stabbed 46-year-old Daniel Gerard Mooney numerous times in the neck 14 Dec 2008, at his Mason Street apartment in Healdsburg. Investigators said she had been enraged that Mooney was too drunk to go to his employer's Christmas party with her.

Witnesses testified that Douprea had a history of violent, unpredictable behavior, including gouging people with her fingernails and assaulting her mother's boyfriend with a kitchen knife.

Douprea faces 26 years to life in prison when she is sentenced 20 Sept in Sonoma County Superior Court.—Internet

Two bodies of Philippine pilots recovered after crash

MANILA, 19 Aug—Rescuers on Thursday discovered the bodies of two pilots of a Philippine Navy helicopter that crashed in the sea on Tuesday in southern Philippines.

Philippine Navy Spokesman Lt Col Egard Arevalo said the body of Lt Gerald Tamayo was seen floating two nautical miles west off Little Santa Cruz Island, while that of Lt Tristan Joseph Corpus was 350 yards off Great Sta. Cruz Island.

“The Navy mourns for this great loss of two distinguished naval aviators who have participated in many combat missions and search and rescue operations until this air mishap,” Arevalo said.

The remains of the two pilots were brought to the headquarters of the Naval Forces in Zamboanga City.

The helicopter, with two pilots, a crew member and two Navy passengers on board, crashed on Tuesday morning between Great Sta. Cruz and Little Sta Cruz Islands in the south. The crew member and the passengers were rescued earlier and are now at the Camp Navarro General Hospital.—Internet

Moderate quake hits Java, Indonesia

JAKARTA, 19 Aug — A shallow moderate quake with magnitude of 5.3 strikes off Java island of Indonesia on Thursday, the Meteorology and Geophysics agency reported here.

The quake jolted at 10:31 am Jakarta time (0331 GMT) with epicenter at 267 km southwest Tasikmalaya of West Java and with the depth at 10 km, the agency said.—Xinhua



Comedians perform during the International Clown Festival and Comedian Show at Kuklachov cat's theater in Moscow, Russia, on 16 Aug, 2010. The week-long festival kicked off here on Monday.

XINHUA

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Tourists board the wooden boats towed by boat trackers in Shennongxi Canyon, a famous tourist resort of the Three Gorges scenic area, in Badong County, central China's Hubei Province, on 17 Aug, 2010. Over 700 boat trackers are working in the canyon at present to showcase the time-honoured boat-tracker culture. — XINHUA

Four dead, one missing in helicopter crash

OSAKA, 19 Aug—A Japan Coast Guard helicopter crashed into the Seto Inland Sea on Wednesday, killing four people aboard and leaving one missing, officials said. Transport Ministry sources told *Kyodo News* the helicopter had deviated from its flight plan when the crash occurred near Sanagi Island in Kagawa Prefecture.

The *Bell 412EP* helicopter, piloted by Masahito Fujimoto, 41, crashed about 3:10 pm after apparently hitting power lines while on a patrol flight, *Kyodo* said. It wasn't clear why the aircraft was flying so low. The other victims were identified as co-pilot Hitoshi Takahashi, 38; flight engineer Yasunobu Okamoto, 39; and communications officer Mitsuo Matsui, 55, the Japanese news service said. A fifth crew member, Satoshi Odake, 56, was missing.— *Internet*

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'Terror bird' was prize fighter

SYDNEY, 19 Aug — The giant, flightless beasts that roamed South America for more than 50 million years following the demise of the dinosaurs were fearsome predators. New research shows the birds' huge beaks could deliver swift and powerful pecks, very probably killing their victims in one blow before ripping the flesh from their bodies. "They had the full kit," said palaeoscientist Steve Wroe.

"These birds had enormous beaks with big hooks on the end. But we've shown they had to use those beaks with some precision and caution," Dr Wroe, a researcher from the University of Sydney, Australia, told *BBC News*. Dr Wroe was part of an international team that has been investigating the predatory behaviour of these extraordinary creatures.

Internet



Computer modelling was used to understand a terror bird's capabilities. INTERNET

Most China smokers doubt cancer link

BEIJING, 19 Aug—Only a quarter of Chinese people believe that smoking tobacco increases the risk of cancer. And anti-smoking campaigns are failing to influence them, according to a government survey. Three quarters of people in China are regularly exposed to second-hand smoke, often in the workplace, in a country that puffs its way through around a third of the world's cigarettes. The survey, conducted by the country's Centre for Disease Control and Prevention, showed that barely one in four adults believes smoking increases the risks of lung cancer, strokes and heart attacks.



Pupils show cigarette models on which they wrote many slogans to call upon people to quit smoking, at Hongqi Primary School in Zaozhuang City, east China's Shandong Province.— INTERNET

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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.

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

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The remains were wrapped in newspapers printed in Los Angeles in the 1930s.— INTERNET

Two infant skeletons found in 1920s LA building

LOS ANGELES, 19 Aug — Two infant skeletons have been found wrapped in newspaper from the 1930s in the basement of a building in Los Angeles, California, police say. The remains, which are believed to be decades old, were found placed in doctor's bags inside a trunk in a 1920s building near MacArthur Park.

Two women found the skeletons while cleaning out the Glen-Donald building. Police have promised an investigation and are awaiting test results from the coroner's office. "We'll try to reconstruct the circumstances based on what the coroner tells us, based on the history of the residence and based on science," Los Angeles police chief Charlie Beck told the *Los Angeles Times* newspaper. One of the skeletons was wrapped in a 1933 copy of the *Los Angeles Times* and the other was in a 1935 issue. — *Internet*

Man makes shrimp pizza, trashes restaurant

Police in a North Carolina city arrested a man for breaking into a restaurant, but not before the suspect filled his belly. Multiple media outlets reported that 22-year-old Bradley Michael was charged him with breaking and entering, vandalism and larceny.

Greensboro police said the suspect broke through the front door of a Red Lobster restaurant around 7 am on Monday. The restaurant manager said Michael destroyed an estimated \$30,000 worth of computers, benches and liquor bottles.

The manager said Michael also made

himself a shrimp pizza and ate some cake. Officers found Michael inside the restaurant.

Michael was in the Guilford County Jail on Tuesday afternoon on a \$50,000 bond. It wasn't clear whether Michael had an attorney.



File photo shows a rare portrait of the composer Ludwig van Beethoven. Most young Americans entering university this year can't write in cursive, think email is too slow and that Beethoven is a film star dog, according to an annual list compiled by two academics at a US college.

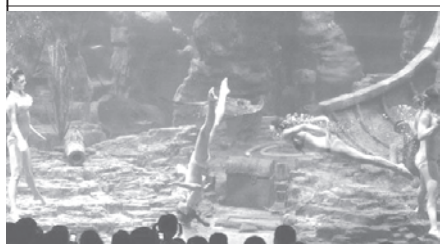
News Album

Police warn man against undressing while driving

A driver who tried to change his sweaty clothes while driving through a Milwaukee suburb was stopped by police but let off with a warning. Police said that when they pulled the 54-year-old over in Brookfield on 13 Aug, he complained he was uncomfortable in his clothes because he had spent a sweltering day at the Wisconsin State Fair.

The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel reported that police warned the man against indecent exposure and advised him to finish changing at home.

A diver uses his underwater camera near a photograph submerged in lake Plateliai, western Lithuania during the Baltic EU state's first underwater gallery created by diving enthusiasts. Organizers say they plan to expand the project in the future to include stained-glass, water colour paintings as well as sculptures.



Russian synchronized swimmers perform ballet underwater at the Donghu Ocean World aquarium in Wuhan, capital city of central China's Hubei Province, on 18 Aug, 2010.

Tsai Chin to start new concert tour



Tsai Chin

BEIJING, 19 Aug—Taipei singing sensation Tsai Chin is preparing for a series of solo concerts, which will be

staged in Shanghai and Beijing in November, the *Star Daily* reports.

Tsai Chin started her singing career in the 1970s, and over the past 40 years has produced numerous hits and won a solid fan base. This time, in the upcoming concerts, the singer will not only perform her own pieces but also focus on some oldies that achieved fame in the 60s.

To formulate the idea for the concerts, Tsai Chin watched

many old films produced in Hong Kong in the 1960s and finally made her song list. Old melodies like "Beside the Suzhou River" ("Suzhou He Bian"), "Evening Bell at Nanping Hill" ("Nanping Wan Zhong") and "River of Tears" ("Xiang Si He Pan") will be heard during the shows. The concert series will kick off in Shanghai on 6 November and it will move to Beijing on 20 November.

Internet



Singer Justin Bieber performs during a surprise visit to summer band camp students at Seminole High School in Sanford, Fla, on 5 Aug, 2010.

INTERNET

Impossible IV could be filmed in Dubai

ABU DHABI, 19 Aug—Executives from US film company Paramount Pictures are in Dubai for talks regarding the possibility of shooting part of Mission: Impossible IV starring Tom Cruise, an *English daily of the United Arab Emirates (UAE)* reported Tuesday.

"I've heard they are in town and are scouting (for locations). They are in serious discussions with (Dubai) Studio City," Ziad Batal, the executive producer at All 4 Media, a film and TV production company

based in the UAE, was quoted by The National as saying.

However, Jamal al Sharif, the executive director of Dubai Studio City, declined to give further details regarding Mission: Impossible IV.

"I have heard some rumors. There's not much more I can say about it," al Sharif told the paper.

Only a few big-budget films have been shot in the UAE, the most notable being the Hollywood movies *Syriana* and *The Kingdom*.—Xinhua

Jerry Lee Lewis to perform with 'Quartet' cast

NEW YORK, 19 Aug—Jerry Lee Lewis will join his likeness onstage when he performs with the cast of the hit Broadway musical "Million Dollar Quartet" for a one-time jam session. Producers say the artist will perform an undisclosed song on 10 Sept during the show's finale.

Levi Kreis won a Tony Award for his portrayal of Lewis, and they recently recorded the classic 1959 song "Money" for Lewis' upcoming album "Mean Old Man." That raises the probability it's what they'll perform onstage. "Million Dollar Quartet" tells the story of an actual impromptu jam session in 1956 among Sun Recording artists Lewis, Johnny Cash, Carl Perkins and Elvis Presley. The 74-year old Lewis is the only one still living.

Internet



A poster of movie "Resident Evil: Afterlife." —INTERNET



Daniel Moder takes a video of his wife Julia Roberts as they arrive at Narita International airport in Chiba, near Tokyo, on 17 August, 2010, to promote her movie "Eat, Pray, Love." XINHUA

Blanc rues France suspensions

PARIS, 19 Aug — France coach Laurent Blanc on Wednesday expressed his regret over the suspensions handed to four of his players for their roles in France's World Cup fiasco. Nicolas Anelka was handed an 18-match ban by the disciplinary commission of the French Football Federation (FFF) on Tuesday, with Jeremy Toulalan, Franck Ribery and Patrice Evra banned for one, three and five games respectively.

Eric Abidal was also summoned by the commission, but avoided punishment. The players were punished for their roles in



**France coach
Laurent Blanc**

the infamous player revolt in South Africa, when the entire squad refused to train in protest at the FFF's decision to send Anelka home for swearing at coach Raymond Domenech.— *Internet*

S P O R T S

Remy close to Marseille move

NICE, 19 Aug—French side Nice are close to concluding a 15 million euro deal with Marseille for their France international striker, Loic Remy. Remy is also being courted by German outfit Hoffenheim, who have tabled an offer of 16 million, but Remy, the 23-year-old former Lyon forward, prefers a move to the French titleholders with their promise of Champions League football.

The France international dined with the

Hoffenheim sporting director and coaching staff on Tuesday evening and held talks with Marseille coach Didier Deschamps on Wednesday afternoon. The selling club's president Gilbert Stellardo insisted that despite Hoffenheim offering more money Nice would not go against the wishes of their player.— *Internet*



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Beckham urges support before World Cup inspection

LONDON, 19 Aug — David Beckham urged English football fans Thursday to show their support for the country's bid for the 2018 or 2022 World Cup by getting involved in events aimed at impressing a FIFA inspection team.

The LA Galaxy midfielder threw his weight behind "Back the Bid Week", which will see a series of events held around the country, and flags and banners put up at football grounds to show the country's desire to stage the tournament. The delegation from FIFA arrives on Monday for the four-day visit to assess England's bid.

"The support we have had for the bid from the public over the past year has been incredible," said the former Manchester United and Real Madrid star. "I've no



David Beckham

doubt that fans from all over the country will unite and show the FIFA inspection team the type of passion and festival of football we could create if we staged the world's greatest sporting event." "Back the Bid Week" gets under way on Thursday, with events taking place in 12 cities across the country to boost England's chances of staging the World Cup for the first time since 1966.

Internet

Henin calls time on season, targets 2011

BRUSSELS, 19 Aug—Justine Henin, struggling with an elbow injury suffered at Wimbledon, announced on Wednesday she was calling time on this season. The former world number one, in a statement on her personal website, insisted this decision did not spell the end of her career as she would now set about preparing for a comeback in 2011. Henin told her fans: "I've had a series of medical tests in the past few days. The healing process is taking its course and is heading in the right direction. Unfortunately though it is taking time. This means I must be patient."

"In order to be at my best in 2011 and so as not to take any risks I hope to resume training at the start of October

and continue to work flat out to attack the new season." The 28-year-old Belgian star suffered a partial ruptured ligament in her right elbow in a fall at Wimbledon six months after her return from retirement. She returned with all guns blazing, making the final of the Australian Open.— *Internet*



Belgium's Justine Henin

Skrtel extends Liverpool contract

LONDON, 19 Aug—Liverpool centre-back Martin Skrtel has signed a two-year contract extension, the club announced on Wednesday. The Slovakian international

defender is now committed to the Premier League side until 2014. The 25-year-old joined Liverpool from Russian side Zenit St-Petersburg in 2008 and has since played 82 games for the club.

"A club like Liverpool deserves to win trophies and I will help them do that," Skrtel told the club website. "Before I came

here a lot of people thought I wasn't good enough to play for Liverpool but I think I have shown I am." Skrtel missed the last three months of last season with a broken metatarsal but returned to represent Slovakia at the World Cup in South Africa, where they reached the last 16.— *Internet*

City seal Milner multi-million pound deal

MANCHESTER, 19 Aug—England midfielder James Milner completed his transfer worth a reported 26million pounds from Aston Villa to English Premier League rivals Manchester City on Wednesday. Former Republic of Ireland midfielder Stephen Ireland moved in the other direction as part of the



**England midfielder
James Milner**

deal which saw Villa manager Martin O'Neill resign over a week ago as he was dissatisfied with the club selling their best players.

City had bought another of their midfield stars, English international Gareth Barry, in the close season last year. City manager Roberto Mancini was delighted to have secured his sixth big money signing since the end of last season.

Internet

Germans want Lahm to remain captain

BERLIN, 19 Aug—Six out of ten Germans think Philipp Lahm should keep the captain's armband for Germany's national side, rather than see Michael Ballack regain the captaincy. German sports agency SID, an AFP subsidiary, authorised a poll which saw 60.3 percent of those surveyed say Bayern Munich defender Lahm should remain captain having led Germany to third at the World Cup.

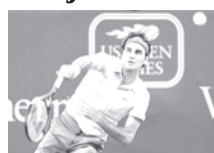
Only 26.2 percent of those polled thought Ballack, who missed the 2010 World Cup with an ankle injury, should be made captain for Germany's first Euro 2012 qualifier against Belgium in Brussels on September 3. According to the survey, Bayern Munich midfielder Bastian Schweinsteiger is the best player in the team after winning 20.9 percent of the vote, ahead of Thomas Mueller (11.9) and Lahm (13.4). Ballack, back in the Bundesliga this season after four years at Chelsea, was voted fourth with 10.4 percent.— *Internet*

Caddy sees no split with Tiger Woods

WELLINGTON, 19 Aug—Steve Williams doesn't believe his job as Tiger Woods' caddie is under any threat, despite media speculation about their 11-year association and concern over the champion golfer's form. Williams told New Zealand radio Wednesday that he and Woods remain close friends and there is no possibility their working relationship is about to end. "I'm sure if there was going to be some sort of parting of the ways, I'd be the first to know," he said. "From my point of view, I don't see any chance of that happening."

Internet

Nadal, Federer, Murray, Djokovic move on at ATP



Switzerland's Roger Federer is seen battling Uzbekistan's Denis Istomin on 18 Aug, 2010 in Cincinnati, Ohio.— INTERNET

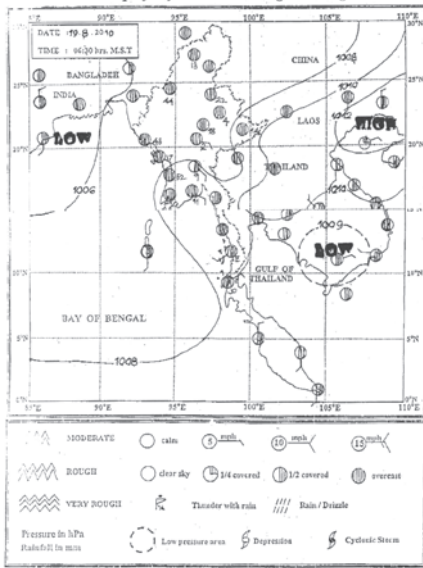
CINCINNATI, 19 Aug—Top-ranked Rafael Nadal, number two Roger Federer, third-ranked Novak Djokovic and Britain's fourth-ranked Andy Murray have all won to advance at the ATP

Cincinnati Masters. Reigning Wimbledon and French Open champion Nadal advanced with a 6-2, 7-5 victory over big-serving 83rd-ranked American Taylor Dent to reach the third round of the three million-dollar hardcourt event, a tuneup for the US Open.

"I was waiting to have my chances, but you are out of the rhythm from the baseline because he's not giving to you the long point, and it's difficult to have the feel of the ball," Nadal said.

Internet

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Thursday, 19th August, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been scattered in Magway Division, fairly widespread in upper Sagaing, Mandalay, Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions and widespread in the remaining areas with isolated heavy falls in Rakhine State and Magway Division. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Pyinmana) (1.06) inches, Nay Pyi Taw (Yezin) (0.74) inch, Maungdaw (3.78) inches, Pyaw (2.68) inches, Zaungtu (2.48) inches, An (2.21) inches, Kawkaik (2.17) inches, Thandwe and Thayawady (2.05) inches each, Taungtwingyi (2.79) inches, Thandaunggyi (1.77) inches and Sagaing (1.03) inches.

Nay Pyi Taw Weather

Maximum temperature on 18-8-2010 was 81°F. Minimum temperature on 18-8-2010 75°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 18-2010 was (92%). Rainfall on 18-8-2010 was (0.74) inch.

Yangon (Kaba-Aye) Weather

Maximum temperature on 18-8-2010 was 86°F. Minimum temperature on 18-8-2010 was 76°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 18-8-2010 was (79%). Total Sunshine hours on 18-8-2010 was (Nil) .

Rainfall on 19-8-2010 was (0.31) inch at Mingaladon, (0.43) inch at Kaba-Aye and (0.71) inch at Central Yangon . Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (52.24) inches at Mingaladon, (58.46) inches at Kaba-Aye and (70.59) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum windspeed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from South at (16:30) hours MST on 18-8-2010.

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

Forecast valid until afternoon of the 20th August 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be scattered in Kayah and Kayin States, Mandalay and Magway Divisions, fairly widespread in Shan, Chin and Mon States, lower Sagaing, Bago, Yangon, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Divisions and widespread in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of decrease of rain in the Lower Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 20-8-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 20-8-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 20-8-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Tenn rain washes away home, derails train

NASHVILLE, 19 Aug—Drenching rains swept away a home, trapped drivers in their vehicles and derailed a train in Tennessee, and forecasters expected more heavy showers to fall Thursday over the Southeast.

The downpours Wednesday hit some of the same parts of Middle Tennessee that were inundated with severe flooding in May, but forecasters don't foresee it wreaking the same kind of havoc. Portions of Middle and East Tennessee as well as areas of southern Kentucky and western North Carolina and Virginia have been under flash flood warnings or watches.—Internet



In this photo provided by the Cookeville Police Department, a train carrying sand derails after water washed away the tracks in Cookeville, Tenn on Wednesday 18 Aug. 2010. —INTERNET

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL
Programme Schedule
(20-8-2010) (Friday)

Transmissions

Local - (09:00am~11:00am) MST
Oversea Transmission - (20-8-10 09:30 am ~ 21-8-10 09:30 am) MST

Times

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Travelogue in Popa
- * Brighter Future for Myanmar Athletes
- * Disabled....But Able
- * News
- * Blind Masseur
- * Myanmar Traditional Festival
- * News
- * Myanmar Alternative Medicine "Noni"
- * News
- * Traditional Meritorious Deeds Ceremony (Pindaya Region)

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- * News
- * Culture Stage
- * Let's Wear Stylish & Trendy Fashion Designs
- * News
- * Surprising Myanmar (The Shwedagon Pagoda) (II)
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * The Night of Heartthrob Pho Chit
- * Shwe Inn Tha, Eco-friendly Resort
- * News
- * Global Warming & World Climate Change (Interview)
- * Myanmar Movie
- * "Good-Hearted Bad Guy"

Friday, 20
August

View on today

7:00 am

1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာ
- ပြုဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး
- အိပ်မက်တရားတော်

7:25 am

2. To Be Healthy
- Exercise

7:30 am

3. Morning News

7:40 am

4. အင်္ဂလိပ်စာ
- (ယဉ်ကျေးမှုနှင့်)
- တေးရေး-
- ဂီတဆိုင်ရာများ

7:50 am

5. Nice & Sweet
- Song

8:00 am

6. လွင်ရှားပုံပြင်စိတ်ပျော်ရွှင်

8:10 am

7. အကပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:15 am

8. The Mirror Images
- Of The Musical
- Oldies

8:25 am

9. Song Of National Races

8:30 am

10. "တောင်ပေါ်မြေပြန့်တိုင်းရင်းသား
- ညီအစ်ကိုမောင်နှမများ
- ပင်လောင်းလမ်း"

8:40 am

11. International News

8:45 am

12. Musical Programme

3:30 pm

1. Myanmar National

League MNL (Cup)

(2010)

ဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲထုတ်လွှင့်မှု

အစီအစဉ်

ရန်ကုန်ယူနိုက်တက်

FC အသင်း နှင့်

နေပြည်တော် FC အသင်း

5:00 pm

2. Songs Of Yester
- Years

5:10 pm

3. Songs To Uphold
- National Spirit

5:15 pm

4. "ကဏ္ဍစုံလင်
- အားကစား အစီအစဉ်"

5:35 pm

5. နွားသားဖြူစင်ကလေးတို့အသွင်

6:00 pm

6. Evening News

6:15 pm

7. Weather Report

6:20 pm

8. ရသစုံလင်

အင်တာနက်ဥယျာဉ်

7:00 pm

9. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ

"ဆူးလွမ်းသောချစ်နှင်းဆီ"

(ဒုတိယတွဲ) (အပိုင်း-၂၇)

8:00 pm

10. News

11. International News

12. Weather Report

13. ပြည်တောင်စုခရီးရှည်

(ရာဇဝင်းတင့်၊

သက်ဖျားဟေသီ)

(တေးရေး-

မောင်မောင်ဇော်ဝင်း)

14. "လျှပ်တစ်ပြတ်ဟာသများ"

15. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ

"ချစ်သူနှယ်နိမိတ်"

(အပိုင်း-၁၄)

16. သီချင်းချစ်သူ

(ရှင်းရှင်း)



- ★ 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

Town Hall, glory of Bogale Township

Bogale is a town located in Pyapon District of Ayeyawady Division. It is the second worst-affected township out of the seven townships in Ayeyawady Division hit by the storm Nargis. The storm Nargis caused a lot of damages. And it devastated a lot of lives and property. Among them, Town Hall is one of them. I recently visited Bogale two times. During my second visit there, I

**Article: Yan Gyi Aung ;
Photo: Kyaw Zeya**

looked round development of the town. I noticed the township has become more developed than before during two years after the Nargis.

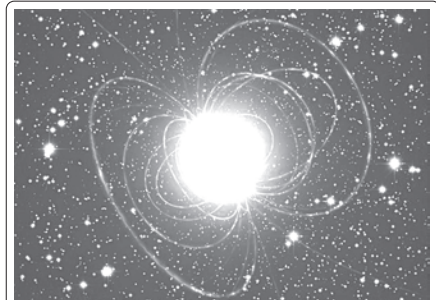
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Photo shows Town Hall in Bogale.

Flood warning

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Aug—According to the 12:30 hr MST observation today, the water level of Dokhtawady River at Myitnge is 829 cm. It may reach its danger level of 8720 cm during the next 24 hours commencing this noon, said Department of Meteorology and Hydrology.—MNA



This artist's impression shows the magnetar in the very rich and young star cluster Westerlund 1. This remarkable cluster contains hundreds of very massive stars, some shining with a brilliance of almost one million suns. European astronomers have for the first time demonstrated that this magnetar — an unusual type of neutron star with an extremely strong magnetic field — was formed from a star with at least 40 times as much mass as the Sun. The result presents great challenges to current theories of how stars evolve, as a star as massive as this was expected to become a black hole, not a magnetar.—INTERNET