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Four political objectives

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

Four economic objectives

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

Four social objectives

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

Means and ways to be sought for the prosperity of the nation and its people

Prime Minister U Thein Sein visits Model Agriculture Special Zone in Yangon Region

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Aug.—Prime Minister U Thein Sein, who was in Yangon, inspected monsoon paddy fields and arrangements for supply of irrigation water at Model Agriculture Special Zone in Yangon Region yesterday morning.

Accompanied by Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence, Chairman of Yangon Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win Myint, heads of department and officials concerned, Prime Minister U Thein Sein visited Model Agricultural Project of Dagon International Limited at Block No.1 of Model Agriculture Special Zone (1) in Dagon Myothit (East) Township yesterday morning.

At the briefing hall, Director U Kyaw Zaw Aung of the company reported to the Prime Minister on test growing of five new paddy strains sent by International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) of Philippines and three paddy strains commonly grown in Myanmar.

After that, Region Manager U Tin Aung Win of Myanma Agriculture Service also reported to the Prime Minister on growing of monsoon paddy by companies at Model Agriculture Special Zone No (1).

Commander Maj-Gen Win Myint and officials reported on supply of water, growing of summer paddy and monsoon paddy and construction of roads. Afterwards, Lt-Gen Myint Swe made a supplementary report.

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Prime Minister U Thein Sein visits Model Agriculture Special Zone (1) in Dagon Myothit (East) Township in Yangon Region.—MNA



Prime Minister U Thein Sein looks into sluice gate of Dagon Myothit (East) Township in Yangon Region.—MNA



PERSPECTIVES

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Spend Metta Sutta Day in contemplation of loving-kindness

Fullmoon Day of Wagaung, which falls today, is the Day of Metta Sutta. The Buddha "Gotama" delivered a sermon of Metta Sutta Paritta to 500 monks at Jetavana Monastery in Savatthi on Fullmoon Day of Wagaung.

In the time of the Buddha, one day, 500 monks altogether asked Him for the approach to Kamathana (meditation) and entered the Raining Season Retreat in a forest. Owing to the power of the high morality of the monks, some deities in the forest could not stay any longer in the trees, and they had to leave their residences. So, they used a variety of ways to frighten the monks. In consequence, the monks could not get on with their doing meditation any longer, and went back to Jatavana Monastery where the Buddha was sojourning in the retreat period.

Just as He got informed about what the monks encountered in the forest, the Buddha delivered Metta Sutta and exhorted them to take the might of Metta (loving-kindness) together with them to try again. Hearing the Metta Sutta recited by the monks who entered the forest, the deities came to admire and hold the monks in high esteem, and welcomed them. That is the result of reciting Metta Sutta.

As loving-kindness represents peace, we all should deal with each other and one another with a sense of loving-kindness.

The traditional flower designated for the month "Wagaung" is Khatta (land lilies), and the traditional festival, "Saryaytanme Pwe" (the festival of charity by casting lots).

On such a day of religious significance, Buddhists are urged to radiate loving-kindness, compassion, sympathetic joy and equanimity to each other and practise meditation in order to lead a peaceful life.

Pediatric Diseases-2 in circulation



The Pediatric Disease-1 penned diseases for children based on own experiences that doesn't include in the first book. By reading the book, custodies may get child healthcare knowledge on how to take preventive measures. It is like a family doctor for all custodies.

The book is available at 2000 kyats at No. 101 Wisdom House, Building No. 1191-1192 on Latwe Mindin Road, Myittanyunt Ward, Tamway Township, Yangon (Ph: 09-5058533).—MNA

YANGON, 24 Aug—The Pediatric Diseases-2 written by Child Specialist Dr Khin Myo Han came out.

In this book, the writer who has written

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

Special Refresher Course No. 38 for basic education teachers opens



Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein, on behalf of Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, making an opening speech.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Aug—Special Refresher Course No. 38 for basic education teachers was opened at Central Institute of Civil Service (Upper Myanmar) in PyinOoLwin District, Mandalay Region yesterday morning. Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein, on behalf of Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, addressed the opening of the course.

Also present were Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Maung Maung Swe, Chairman of Civil Service Selection and Training Board U Kyaw Thu, deputy Ministers and the Deputy Chief Justice (Upper Myanmar), the Chairman of Mandalay City Development Committee Mandalay Mayor, members of the CSSTB, heads of departments, the rector of the institute, pro-rectors, faculty heads, lecturers, course instructors and trainees.

Speaking on the occasion, Minister Dr Chan Nyein said that 30-year long-term national education promotion plan was focused on emergence of highly proficient younger generation human resources and enhancing talents of intellectuals and intelligentsias. The plan was drawn by well-experienced persons from education field across the nation.

He went on to say that the programme was phased over six 5-year periods and 2010-2011 academic year was the last year of the second 5-year period. In

establishing the future nation, basic education teachers were to cultivate their pupils to become moral, disciplined and educated citizens on which the nation can rely on.

Nowadays, global nations, he said, were enjoying positive effects of ever-developing science and technology and information technology, however, on the other hand, it had also caused adverse effects, i.e. the threat of penetration of alien concepts that conflicted with own national characteristics. Especially, youths of developing nation were to be fully aware of it.

He then quoted Senior General Than Shwe as saying, "Morale, discipline, and education are primary factors in pursuing education. Students are to be continuously trained since from primary education level to university level and it is the responsibility of teachers and personnel from education field."

So, teachers were to nurture their pupils since early stage in basic education sector while trying themselves to become qualified civil servants, he stressed. Teachers were noble persons who had devoted their whole lives to cultivating dutiful and educated citizens in other words the strength of the nation, he said. In conclusion, he called them for nurturing bright and polite citizens. Minister Dr Chan Nyein then cordially greeted the trainees. A total of 1,508 teachers are attending the five-week course.

MNA

Safeguard hits skincare market

YANGON, 24 Aug—Pahtama Group Co Ltd introduced Safeguard branded anti-bacterial soap at Traders Hotel on Sule Pagoda Road here on 15 August.

Operation Director Ko Phyo Min Kyaw of Pahtama Group extended greetings. Business Manager Ma Mo Mo Phone Maw explained Safeguard products. Safeguard soap can protect from bacteria that cause flu, diarrhea, itchiness, pneumonia, and cough. The product is available in different scents and colors.

Senior Sales Manager Ko Kyaw Thu Myint explained special sales programmes which was followed by lucky-draw programmes.

MNA



Sales agents who won awards at Safeguard Anti-Bacterial soap introducing ceremony.

MNA

Suicide bomber attacks Somali hotel, killing 31

MOGADISHU, 24 Aug—A suicide bomber and gunmen stormed a hotel in Somalia's capital on Tuesday, killing at least 31 people including members of parliament in an attack that set off an hour-long gun battle, a military spokesman and a witness said.

The assault comes after Somalia's most dangerous group, al-Shabab, declared a "massive war" on "invaders" — an apparent reference to the 6,000 troops from the African Union that protect the weak Somali government.

African Union spokesman Maj.

Barigye Bahoku said it wasn't immediately known how many members of parliament were killed in the attack on the Muna hotel, located a half-mile (1 kilometre) from Somalia's presidential palace. An 11-year-old shoe shine boy and a woman selling tea in front of the hotel were among the dead, Bahoku said.

Al-Shabab has increased the use of suicide attacks in recent years, though they are still somewhat rare in Somalia. Veterans of the Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts are believed to be helping train al-Shabab fighters.—Internet



A nurse at Medina hospital treats a wounded civilian, at Medina hospital, Mogadishu, Somalia, on 24 Aug, 2010.

INTERNET

US Drone strike kills 20 in Pakistan

MIRANSHAH, 24 Aug—Missiles fired from a US pilotless drone aircraft killed 13 militants and 7 civilians in Pakistan's North Waziristan on Monday, Pakistani intelligence officials said.

They said the missiles were fired at a militant hideout. Most of the militants killed were members of the Afghan Taliban. Four women and three children were among the dead, said the officials.

"The missiles hit a militant compound and a house adjacent to it. We have confirmed reports of 20 dead," said one of the intelligence officials.

MNA/Reuters



Afghan children walk along a street as smoke rises from a building in Kunduz recently, after a suspected militant attack in the northern Afghan City.—INTERNET

Two French soldiers killed in Afghanistan

PARIS, 24 Aug—Two French soldiers were killed and three others wounded in a military operation in Afghanistan, said French President Nicolas Sarkozy's office on Monday, raising the country's total fatalities in Afghanistan to 47.

The two dead were a soldier and an officer from the 21st Marine Infantry Regiment. They were fatally wounded by gun fire during an overnight operation in Tagab, north of Kabul, while three others were injured at the start of the operation.

"These soldiers gave their lives in the service of France's commitment to the peace and security of the Afghan people," Sarkozy said in a statement.

The French president condemned "insurgents' murderous attacks" on NATO military forces in Afghanistan, stressing France would continue to be a part of the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF).

About 3,500 French troops are deployed in Afghanistan.

Xinhua

Gunmen kill five Iraqi oil workers, steal payroll

BAGHDAD, 24 Aug—Gunmen in Iraq ambushed a car carrying five oil refinery employees transporting the company payroll on Monday, killing them and fleeing with \$300,000 in cash, officials said.

The attack just outside Saddam Hussein's hometown of Tikrit hit the employees after they had picked up the payroll for the Haditha refinery in western Iraq from the main refining headquarters in Beiji, 155 miles (250 kilometres) north of Baghdad, police said.

Three accountants, an engineer and a driver were killed, said an official with the main refinery in Beiji. Hospital officials in Tikrit confirmed the death toll.

The incident was the latest in a growing number of criminal attacks many believe are part of insurgent efforts to raise funds.—Internet

One soldier killed in western Iraq bombings

BAGHDAD, 24 Aug—An Iraqi soldier was killed and six people injured in two bomb explosions in Iraq's western province of Anbar on Monday, a provincial police source said.

A soldier was killed and two others wounded when a roadside bomb went off near their patrol in the town of Khaldiya, some 80 km west of Baghdad, a

source from the provincial operations command told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

In a separate incident, a bomb explosion hit a police patrol near a parking lot in central the provincial capital city of Ramadi, some 110 km west of Baghdad, damaging a police vehicle and wounding a policeman aboard. Three civilians at the

outside the parking lot were also wounded by the blast, the source said. Insurgent attacks continue in the once volatile Province of Anbar, which has been relatively calm for nearly three years after Sunni tribes and anti-US militants groups turned to cooperate with the US troops and Iraqi security forces against al-Qaeda network in Iraq.

Xinhua



An Afghan man sits with his relative who was injured in a landmine explosion in Herat, west of Kabul, Afghanistan, on 22 Aug, 2010. Insurgents in Kandahar Province, one of Afghanistan's most violent, killed the head of a private security company on Saturday, while one civilian was killed and five wounded by a land mine in Herat's Anjil District.

INTERNET

Afghan villagers protest night raid

KABUL, 24 Aug—Hundreds of villagers have blocked a highway in eastern Afghanistan to protest a night raid by NATO and Afghan soldiers that left two people dead.

A statement from the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) said two "Taliban militants" were killed in the raid in a district near Jalalabad.

But villagers said the men were civilians; their protest temporarily closed the highway connecting Jalalabad to Pakistan on Wednesday.

"The Americans who killed these people should come and see whether it is civilians or insurgents they killed," Mohammad Gul, one of the protesters, said. "We need an explanation from them."

Xinhua

32 killed, 18 injured in western Sudan floods, heavy rains

KHARTOUM, 24 Aug—A total of 32 people in western Sudan's North Kordofan State were killed and 18 others injured in the floods and heavy rains, the official SUNA news agency said.

The agency quoted a report by Sudan's operations room of rainy season as saying that the casualties were caused by "drowning, thunder-bolts and collapse of houses." The report said 886 houses completely collapsed, while around 11,000 houses partially collapsed. About 159 government utilities have been affected by the heavy rains and some 4,950 head of cattle died.

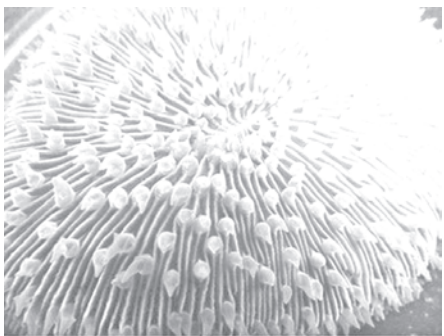
MNA/Xinhua

A resident talks to his wounded brother who lies at a hospital after a bomb attack in Baghdad recently. At least 47 recruits and soldiers were killed and 77 wounded on Tuesday when a suicide bomber blew himself up outside an army recruitment centre in Baghdad in one of the bloodiest attacks in Iraq this year.—INTERNET



Science

Researchers monitoring Hawaii coral for bleaching



This handout shows fungia, one of the corals deposited into the frozen repository at the Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology. Scientists at the institute and the Smithsonian Institution have created the first frozen bank for Hawaiian corals in an attempt to protect them from extinction and to preserve their diversity in Hawaii.—INTERNET

PEARL HARBOR, 24 Aug—Scientists plan to monitor corals in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands next month for signs of bleaching that could harm the reefs.

Corals become stressed and expel the algae that live inside them when temperatures are warmer than normal. This causes corals to lose their colour and appear white.

Corals may die if this continues for extended periods, depriving fish of vital food and habitat.

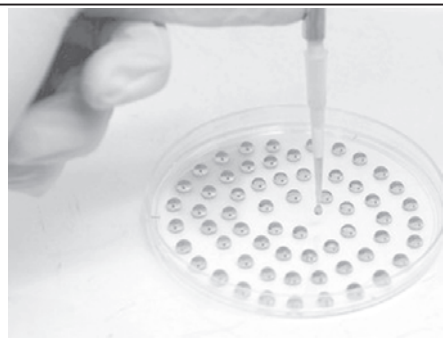
Researchers will be observing coral in the Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument during September—the hottest month of the year in Hawaii, monument deputy superintendent Randall Kosaki said on Friday. They're due to leave for the remote atolls aboard the research ship *Hiialakai* in a week, he said. Kosaki measured

surface temperatures of 82 to 84 degrees during another research trip to the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands earlier this month.

Kosaki also noted there's currently a mass of warm water from Southeast Asia that's pushing into the North Pacific. "It's warm now. If it cools off we might not have a bleaching event. If it stays warm for an extended period we might have a bleaching event," he said. Bleaching would be likely if temperatures stay higher than normal for more than two to four weeks, Kosaki said.

The Northwestern Hawaiian Islands, which are home to 69 percent of the coral under US jurisdiction, had bleaching events in 2002 and 2004. In May, marine biologists working for the Wildlife Conservation Society observed coral bleaching off Indonesia's Aceh Province as surface waters in the Andaman Sea peaked at 93 degrees—7 degrees higher than long-term averages.

Subsequent surveys found 80 percent of the bleached corals had died.—*Internet*



Chronic pain may be genetic, and controllable

JERUSALEM, 24 Aug—A group of Israeli and international researchers say they may have found a gene responsible for controlling chronic pain from nerve injury.

"Our discovery may provide insights for treating chronic pain through previously unthought-of mechanisms," said Prof Ariel Darvasi of the Alexander Silberman Institute of Life Sciences at the Hebrew University, according to a report appearing in the peer-reviewed journal, *Genome Research*. Darvasi and his team used the tests to narrow

down the possibilities to what they believe may be the genetic culprit, *Cacgn2*.

"The immediate significance is the mere awareness that differences in pain perception may have a genetic predisposition," Darvasi said of the discovery. Going up the evolutionary scale, the scientists then analyzed a group of breast cancer patients who experienced chronic pain more than six months after undergoing a full or partial mastectomy. The researchers again found that genetic variants of *Cacgn2* were significantly associated with this chronic pain. Some 20 percent of adults worldwide suffer from some degree of chronic pain, according to the report, whether from recognized sources such as headaches, back pain and arthritis, or psychosomatic reasons with no clear cause.—*Internet*

A researcher manipulates drops of stem cells in a laboratory. A US court on Monday issued a temporary halt to federal funding of embryonic stem cell research which President Barack Obama had authorized, saying it involved the destruction of human embryos.—INTERNET

Technology

Google acquires visual shopping search engine "Like.com"

BEIJING, 24 Aug—Google has acquired Like.com, whose visual search engine helps people match clothes and other apparel online and purchase them from retailers, according to media reports on Monday.

Like.com CEO and co-founder Munjal Shah announced the deal on his company's home page this weekend. Financial details were not disclosed, but a *Wall Street Journal* report said the startup could be worth as much as 100 million US dollars.

Founded in 2004, Like.com uses computer vision and machine learning technology to provide a visual search engine focused on shoes, clothes, jewelry and decor, according to the company. The deal is Google's latest acquisition. Analysts say Like.com's technology could be applied to the Internet giant's Product Search or Commerce Search engine.

like.com
visual search

Shopping comparison website Like.com said on Monday it has been bought by Google. Like.com specializes in visual search technology that lets people hunt online for bargains using pictures of clothing, handbags, shoes or other items they might desire.—INTERNET

Google in April acquired visual art search engine Plink. This technology is now being used to fortify Google Goggles, the mobile visual search application Google launched earlier this year.—*Xinhua*

BlackBerry releases paid apps in Aus



A man tries out a BlackBerry mobile phone in Singapore.—INTERNET

NEW DELHI, 24 Aug—After months of waiting, Research in Motion (RIM) has confirmed that Australian BlackBerry users would be able to purchase apps from the BlackBerry App World store.

RIM said today that users would be able to make purchases starting at US\$0.99 using various payment options.

"Customers will be able to purchase applications using PayPal and major credit cards, including Visa and MasterCard," RIM said in a statement.

The smartphone maker also announced new security features in the latest version of software that gives users a BlackBerry secure identification marker. The marker will allow users to carry purchases over when switching to a new device.

The company had previously launched a free version of App World in December last year and couldn't confirm when paid applications would become available. RIM has had its fair share of headlines over the past few weeks, with countries including India and Saudi Arabia raising concerns over the security of messaging data that was preventing government agencies from monitoring user communications.—*Internet*



Bloggers crying foul over Philly business tax

PHILADELPHIA, 24 Aug—Bloggers in Philadelphia are up in arms about what they're calling an unfair tax. The city's so-called business privilege license costs \$50 a year or \$300 for a lifetime.

If a blog takes money for advertising, or sells photographs or other goods, it's a business and must pay for a license—no matter how little it makes—plus taxes on profits. A spokesman for Mayor Michael Nutter says it's nothing new and it applies to any revenue-making enterprise, from large corporations to neighbourhood pizza joints and mom-and-pop businesses.

Some bloggers are complaining that the fee would impinge on their free speech and would discourage dissent. They also say it's unfair to require business to pay taxes if they're making only \$25 or \$50 a year.

Internet

Verizon Communications chairman and CEO Ivan Seidenberg, left, joins others on 23 Aug, 2010, at the new Meadowlands football stadium in East Rutherford, NJ, as they try special glasses for watching Verizon's 3D broadcasts of football games.—INTERNET

Health

Health Tip: Four foods which grows chest hair

Although having a chest hair is no longer a trend, but some people still think men who have chest hair is a 'real man'. The problem is, not every man can grow hair on their chest. But there are some foods that can help you with that.

According to *Foxnews*, Here are four types of food that could be help grow chest hair:

1. Eggs

Eggs are high in protein and are believed able to grow hair on your chest. In addition, egg whites are also very beneficial for men's health, especially for those who want to enlarge the muscles of their body.

2. Sardines

With its content-rich of protein and omega-3 fatty acids, sardines are well known with its health benefits, especially to help the heart. In addition, sardines are also considered important for maintaining healthy hair and can help grow chest hair.

3. Liver and onions

Beef liver are loaded with protein, iron, zinc, vitamin A and C and B vitamins including biotin, folate, B2 and B12. Contents are very important for hair growth. Biotin supplements will normally given if someone experience hair loss.

Not only hearts, red onions can also stimulate chest hair growth. Its a source of sulfur, namely minerals known for hair growth.

4. Chili Peppers

Researchers now believe chili can increase hair growth. Capsaicin, the chemical compound in peppers that makes a spicy flavour, seems to affect the biological pathways that are essential for hair growth.—*Internet*

Chinese vaccine shields against hepatitis E

PARIS, 24 Aug—A prototype vaccine devised and tested in China has proven 100-percent effective in preventing hepatitis E, a disease that is widespread in the developing world and can be fatal, investigators reported in *The Lancet* on Monday. The hepatitis E virus, often transmitted by faecal contamination of water supplies, causes liver inflammation, whose symptoms are jaundice, fever and vomiting. It was only recognised as a distinct disease 30 years ago.

Mortality from the



disease is low, but people with chronic liver disease and pregnant mothers and their fetuses are badly at

risk. The trialled formula, codenamed HEV 239, is a recombinant vaccine, meaning that it includes a protein from the virus designed to stimulate the body's immune defences.

It was administered to 48,000 healthy adults aged 16-65, while an identical group of counterparts received a placebo. Three doses were issued over six months, and the volunteers were then monitored for a year. Fifteen fell ill with hepatitis E in the placebo group, but there were no cases in the vaccine group.

"During a hepatitis E outbreak, or for travellers to an endemic area, protection can be quickly obtained by two vaccine doses given within one month," said the study, headed by Nin-Shao Xia, of the Institute of Diagnostic and Vaccine Development in Infectious Diseases in Xiamen.

Internet



Golden comet chickens mill around in the grass next to a basket of freshly gathered eggs at Pete & Jen's Backyard Birds, a small organic farm in Concord, Mass, on 23 Aug, 2010. Eggs from Massachusetts farms have not been affected by the FDA's massive recall of more than a half-billion eggs.
INTERNET

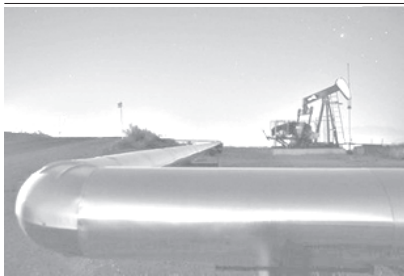
69 new dengue cases reported in Indian capital within one day

NEW DELHI, 24 Aug—At least 69 new cases of dengue were reported in Delhi since Sunday, taking the number of those infected to 434 this year. The Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) on Monday said that the body has issued 45,532 legal notices against owners of property where water stagnation was found. These conditions lead to breeding of mosquitoes.

"A total of 6,125 persons have been prosecuted. The civic body has also released advisory in newspapers, stating the symptoms of and preventive measures for the vector-borne disease and urging the people not to panic," the advertisement of the MCD said.

Dengue is transmitted to humans by the aedes aegypti mosquito and its symptoms include fever, joint and bone pain, nausea, headache and fatigue. Mosquito breeding has been detected in 44,743 houses in various parts of the city, officials of the MCD said, adding that the south zone of the civic agency has been the worst affected.—*Xinhua*

Business



An oil rig extracts crude in California. World oil prices fell on Monday for the fourth consecutive session, hitting near six-week lows amid persistent worries that weakening growth in the United States could curtail energy demand.
INTERNET

Sinopec says H1 profit rises 6.7% to \$5.2 bln

HONG KONG, 24 Aug—Sinopec, China's top refiner, said on Sunday its net profit in the first half of this year edged up 6.7 percent to reach 35.46 billion yuan (5.2 billion US dollars) from a year earlier.

In a filing to the Hong Kong stock exchange, Chairman Su Sulin said Sinopec's turnover and other operating revenues amounted to 936.5 billion yuan, and the operating profit was 49.8 billion yuan, representing an increase of 75.4 percent and 7.8 percent respectively, over the same period of 2009.

The Beijing-based company attributed "encouraging operational results" in the first half to steady progress of China's economic recovery, growing demand for petroleum and petrochemical products, continued

expansion of Sinopec's operational scale and rising prices of crude oil, refined oil products and chemical products. According to the statement, Sinopec's refinery throughput reached 101 million tonnes in the first half, representing an increase of 16.7 percent year on year. The refining segment and marketing and distribution segment achieved external sales revenue of 567 billion yuan, an increase of 59.7 percent year on year. The two segments accounted for 60.5 percent of Sinopec's turnover and other operating revenues, it said. In the exploration and production (E&P) segment, Sinopec produced 149 million barrels of crude oil, flat from a year earlier, and produced 200.6 billion cubic feet of natural gas, an increase of 40.7 percent year on year, it said.

Xinhua

Vietnam sends 37,068 laboures to work abroad in first half

HANOI, 24 Aug—Vietnam sent 37,068 laboures to work abroad in the first half of this year, up 12.32 percent year-on-year, said a report of the Department of Overseas Laboures Management on Monday. The country sent 7,493 workers to foreign markets in June alone, an increase of 15.65 percent from a month earlier, said the department.

The department said Chinese Taipei was the largest export market for Vietnamese laborers in the first six months this year with 12,939 people. The United Arab Emirates came second for receiving 4,416 Vietnamese laborers to work in the country. Vietnam also sent 3,032 workers to work in Libya and another 2,840 to Laos, according to the department. The rest of Vietnamese laborers were sent to Japan, Malaysia, the Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia and other markets, according to the department.—*Internet*

In this undated file photo, an AIG banner flies at the office building in New York. American International Group Inc. said on 23 Aug, 2010, it is repaying nearly \$4 billion in federal bailout loans.—*INTERNET*

AIG pays back \$4 billion of US loan

NEW YORK, 24 Aug—Bailed-out insurer American International Group Inc said on Monday it paid back nearly \$4 billion in US loans in its single largest cash payment so far to reduce its debt to taxpayers.

The partial repayment of a Federal Reserve Bank of New York credit facility came after International Lease Finance Corp, AIG's aircraft leasing unit, sold \$4.4 billion in debt to investors and used the bulk of the proceeds to repay \$3.9 billion in government loans three years early.

AIG said the repayment will trigger an accelerated amortization of a prepaid commitment fee asset, resulting in a roughly \$650 million pre-tax charge.

The latest payment reduces the size of the Fed credit facility to about \$30 billion from \$34 billion.

Internet



Buckwheat shortage detected in Moscow

Moscow, 24 Aug— Buckwheat disappeared from all food stores across Moscow city, the *Interfax* news agency reported on Monday.

As one of the basic staples for Russians, Buckwheat has been absent from the shop shelves in all the capital's major supermarkets, said the report. Shop managers have been uncertain when the supplies could be restored.

Meanwhile, on the city's free markets, prices for buckwheat jumped from 20 to 76 rubles (from 0.65 to 2.5 US dollars) per kilogram during the last weekend. The report said buckwheat also disappeared from the supermarkets in Ukraine. An official in the Russian Ministry of Economic Development told *Interfax* that he did not see any reasons the government should regulate the prices of buckwheat. Market prices for that grocery rose over 60 percent during the summer.

According to head of Moscow's trade association, Ilya Belonovsky, a hike was expected also in the prices of honey, beer, salt, cheese, sugar and milk. "Salt traders explain they have suffered from the drought — it is ridiculous," he told local media. A buckwheat and milk shortage was expected, the agency reported on Monday citing a head of one of Russia's largest supermarket chains. The source said, the retailers have already been facing 20 to 30 percent supply shortage of their orders for milk. Price hike for buckwheat was expected up to 60 percent, he added.—*Xinhua*



Malaysian shoppers are seen at an outlet of the French supermarket giant Carrefour in Kuala Lumpur. The retail firm is planning to sell its business in the south east Asian nation, a minister said, amid speculation the firm will also offload its Singapore and Thai stores and exit the region altogether.

INTERNET



Eggs sit in an egg carton in Washington, DC, on 19 August. A massive recall of eggs possibly tainted with salmonella bacteria is now at more than half-a-billion and could grow, the top US food safety official said on Monday.

INTERNET

Arthritis protein may reverse Alzheimer's disease

BEIJING, 24 Aug— A protein triggered by rheumatoid arthritis appears to protect against the development of Alzheimer's disease, according to a new study on Monday.

Scientists from the University of South Florida found that memory loss associated with Alzheimer's was partially reversed by the protein GM-CSF, which is an attacking protein produced by the immune system in cases of rheumatoid arthritis.

In some cases the memory impairment was completely reversed after treatment, said the research published online in the *Journal of Alzheimer's Disease*.

As people with rheumatoid arthritis suffer swollen joints, the protein stimulates scavenger cells in the body. In tests on mice, these cells removed deposits left by Alzheimer's in the brain, according to the study.

A synthetic protein of GM-CSF, known as Leukine, is commercially available and is already used in cancer treatment.

"Our findings provide a compelling explanation for why rheumatoid arthritis is a negative risk factor for Alzheimer's disease," said Prof Huntingdon Potter, a molecular medicine expert involved in the study.

Potter hoped the treatment could soon be tested on humans.—*Xinhua*

Macao's visitor arrivals up 23.2% in July

MACAO, 24 Aug — Macao's visitor arrivals in July went up by 23.2 percent over the same period of last year to 2.68 million, according to the figures released on Monday by Macao's Statistics and Census Service (DSEC).

Chinese mainland remained Macao's major source market, accounting for 52.8 percent of the total, standing at 1.14 million, with 477,119 traveling to Macao under the Individual Visit Scheme, up by 40.3 percent from July 2009. Visitors from Hong Kong and Taiwan rose respectively by 15.4 percent and 3.5 percent year-on-year to 670,953 and 121,273, the figures indicated.

As for the seven months of 2010, visitor arrivals reached 14.39 million, rising by 18.7 percent over last year,

with the majority of visitors coming from the Chinese mainland and Hong Kong, according to the DSEC.

Sameday visitors accounted for 51.8 percent of the total visitor arrivals, at 7.45 million in the first seven months of 2010, the DSEC also said.—*Xinhua*



Australian gold miner Newcrest said on Monday that shareholders at rival Lihir Gold had backed its takeover of the company, with the deal creating the fourth largest group in the sector.

INTERNET

Ratan Tata regrets the company could not do Singur project

MUMBAI, 24 Aug—Tata Group Chairman Ratan Tata said on Monday he regrets Tata Motors could not do the Nano car project, which it wanted to do in West Bengal, but the state would always be there as a part of the group's corporate identity. "We regret we have not been able to do what we wanted to do over here," he said, without mentioning the Singur project in the annual general meeting of the company.

Tata Motors in October 2008 moved the small car plant to Sanand in Gujarat in the face of continuing agitation by Trinamool Congress demanding return of 400 acres acquired from farmers.

"We are dedicated to the cancer hospital that is coming up. It is hoped that it will start this year. West Bengal is very much a part of our total corporate identity," Tata said.

The company is constructing a cancer hospital in Rajarhat in the northeastern fringes of the city.

Internet

Areva's offices are seen in the business district of La Defence close to Paris.—INTERNET



Construction of world's largest deep-water drilling vessel kicks off in NE China

DALIAN, 24 Aug— Construction of the world's largest deep-water oil drilling vessel has started in northeast China's Liaoning Province. Under a contract signed with Germany's Deutsche Verkehrs-Bank (DVB), COSCO Dalian Shipyard Co Ltd is building the "Dalian Pioneer" in Dalian City. "The vessel will cost more than 500 million US dollars and will be the first deep-water drilling vessel built by China," said Wang Xingru, general manager of COSCO Dalian. Construction, which started on Sunday, is expected to be completed in 2012, he said.—*Internet*



Means and ways to be sought for the prosperity of the nation...

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After hearing the reports, the Prime Minister fulfilled the needs and gave instructions on agricultural production.

Afterwards, the Prime Minister inspected nurturing young plants, supply of water to fields through main canal and growing of monsoon paddy.

The Prime Minister inspected growing of monsoon paddy by the companies at Model Agricultural Special Zone (1) on a motorcade.

The Prime Minister and party then proceeded to Model Agricultural Project of Shwe Nagar Min Co Ltd in Model Agricultural Special Zone (2).

After hearing reports on work progress presented by officials of the companies, arrange-

ments made for availability of irrigation water and construction of roads by Commander Maj-Gen Win Myint and a supplementary report made by Lt-Gen Myint

The Prime Minister oversaw growing of monsoon paddy of the companies.

On his arrival at sluice gate in Dagon Myothit (Seikkan)

Prime Minister U Thein Sein views plantation of monsoon paddy grown by Shwe Nagar Min Co Ltd in Model Agriculture Special Zone (2) in Yangon Region.—MNA



Swe, the Prime Minister gave necessary instructions.

Township, the Prime Minister heard reports on construction of the

sluice gate which was built to supply water to summer paddy plan-

tations in the zone No (2), to prevent tidal wave of Bago River and flood and to grow monsoon paddy presented by Director U Kan Nyunt of Yangon Region Irrigation Department and attended to the needs.

In meeting with officials of the companies in Model Agricultural Special Zones, the Prime Minister called for production of quality paddy strains, utili-

zation of skill and expertise of agriculturists and greater collaboration among companies, growers and agriculturists for success of paddy production.

He stressed the need to seek means and ways for the prosperity of the nation and its people, to set the ambition for setting up rice exporters and to widely educate the farmers to run organic farming.

MNA



Prime Minister U Thein Sein inspects nurturing of young plants by Dagon International Limited at Model Agricultural Special Zone (1) in Yangon Region.

MNA

Prize presentation for 2010 World Cup forecaster

YANGON, 24 Aug—The prize presenting ceremony for the winners who can forecast the World Cup champion team for 2010 took place at Casabella Home Furnishing Center at 9th mile on Pyay Road, Mayangon Township here today. It was jointly organized by Myanmar Times' World Cup Daily newsletter published by the Myanmar Consolidated

Media and Nat Ray Co Ltd (Casabella Home Furnishing Center).

Editor-in-Chief Mr Ross Dunkley of the Myanmar Times explained aim of organizing the contest and Managing Director Daw Khin Malar of Nat Ray Co Ltd, aim of prize presentation. After presented to the winners by responsible persons, a winner expressed thanks.—MNA



Managing Director Daw Khin Malar of Nat Ray Co Ltd present OSIM uDesire Massage Chair to winner U Khin Maung Lwin.—MNA

Introduction and Implementations to Bar Code for Business Efficiency course on 1 Sept

YANGON, 24 Aug—With a view to export products of Myanmar to International market, Introduction and Implementations to Bar Code for Business Efficiency course jointly conducted by Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers

of Commerce and Industry (UMFCCI) and Department of Export Promotion, Ministry of Commerce of Thailand will be held on 1 September. The course is free of charge and interested person may register at the UMFCCI.

MNA

Border guard force members, reliable citizens of the nation

Aung Shin

In the world, the great majority of the countries are multicultural ones. In particular, each of Union nations is home to various national races with different religions, cultures and traditions. For Union nations, national unity is essential for ensuring non-disintegration of the Union and perpetuation of sovereignty. The world history shows that even many powerful countries split into pieces, following disunity among national races.

So, lessons must be taken from the miseries being faced by the Union countries that collapsed into many parts and small countries without peace and stability after seceding from the Union countries concerned due to lack of national cohesion. For a Union country, national unity is the might to defend the country as well as the driving force behind development of the whole Union. That is the reason why every Union country gives top priority to ensuring non-disintegration of the Union and national solidarity.

The Union of Myanmar once stood tall with own monarchs in the global community. However, it fell under the yoke of colonialism due to lack of national unity. In colonial days, various national races misunderstood one another in consequence of the "Divide and Rule" policy practised by the colonialists. Diverse forms of problems sparked intentionally by the colonialists led to internal armed insurrection following independence, as an evil legacy. The nation had regained independence, but internal armed insurgency persisted long. Therefore, the nation lagged behind other countries in development in various fields. In particular, border areas faced untold miseries caused by the armed strife, let alone development.

Successive governments did everything possible in vain to put an end to the armed insurgency. Only in the time of the Tatmadaw government, did the evil legacy meet its end. As is known to all, since its assumption of State duties in 1988, the Tatmadaw has devoted itself to various formidable tasks for restoration of stability and peace, national development and improving the living conditions for the people. In the process, the most fundamental requirement was stability and peace at home. With that end in view, the Tatmadaw tried its best to persuade national race armed groups to return to the legal fold.

The Union of Myanmar, home to over 100 national races, once saw so many armed groups sticking to racism, insurgents sticking to dogmatism, and armed drug cartels. After laying down the national policy "Our Three Main National Causes", the Tatmadaw government held peace talks with those groups.

Showing benevolent attitude, the Tatmadaw government built internal peace by offering an olive branch for national reconsolidation in its bid to implement one of the political objectives "National Reconsolidation". Being convinced of the Tatmadaw government's pragmatic national policy and correct political objectives, national brethren chose the correct path towards national reconsolidation for ensuring non-disintegration of the Union.

As a result of the benevolent attitude shown to them and earnest efforts made by the Tatmadaw government for development of their regions, national race armed groups have been returning to the legal fold one after another since 1989. In reality, their entering legal fold depicted their choice of peace in compliance with local people's aspiration. To put it another way, they decided to forsake armed struggle line.

So, the Union of Myanmar has enjoyed internal peace and unity of national races at the unprecedented level. The government formed the Ministry for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs with intent to speed up tasks for development of the regions where peace has just been restored. At the same time, it designated special regions with the aim of encouraging national race peace groups to throw themselves to regional development undertakings in line with the procedures.

National race peace groups have worked as planned by the government, and local people have enjoyed the fruits of regional stability, peace and development, as a result. National race armed groups' returning to the legal fold was followed by incredible development of border areas. Enjoying the taste of peace, local people have a thirst for perpetual peace in order that they can lead a peaceful life.

The national race groups that have returned to the legal fold, remain as peace groups and get involved in regional development tasks with own convictions and concepts. According to the prior agreements reached in the peace talks, national race peace groups have to abide by the laws promulgated by the government.

Today, the government is trying its utmost to shape the nation into a democratic one, as inspired by the entire people. When the forthcoming elections are held, the nation will see a democratic government in accordance with the 2008 State Constitution that has been approved by the great majority of the voters.

The Tatmadaw government will hand over sovereign powers to the newly-elected government. In this regard, it is required to enable the national peace groups to stand in the framework of the law in accordance with the constitution in the newly-formed democratic nation.

National race peace groups have been implementing tasks hand in hand with the government for stability and development of the nation. The government is generating a prosperous future for the peace groups. In doing so, the government is approaching the processes one after another for smooth transformation with the aim of granting life security of the peace groups and stability and peace of border areas. For them, being at peace with the government is just building trust for national reconsolidation. The transformation process initiated by the government is, indeed, the correct path towards eternal peace for them.

Inspired by genuine goodwill, the government is encouraging the groups to stand legally in the framework of the law according to the customs of the brethren, topographies of their regions, and the desire of local people. That is why the 20 national race groups across the Union remain harmonious with the government in order that they will be able to shoulder duties in the political trend in the administrative mechanism of the new nation including forming border guard forces and people's militia forces. The government shows great patience and understanding in inviting the remaining national race armed groups to hurl themselves to the processes.

Members of the border guard forces and people's militia forces will become reliable and responsible servicemen with the right to legally hold arms in line with the constitution in the democratic nation and discharge national defence duties under the command of the Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services. The government has legally formed national race peace groups into border guard forces, thereby winning recognition both at home and abroad.

Border guard forces are going to be forces capable of effectively coping border issues in line with the international laws since they have been appointed as service personnel. The groups are composed of brethren of national races, so they are reliable forces that will safeguard the Union for ensuring non-disintegration of the nation. In other words, border guard force troops are reliable citizens who are cohesive with the entire national brethren for sustainable progress of the Union.

So, the government is rendering all possible forms of assistance to the border guard forces. National race groups are exhorted to keep striding on the correct path of perpetual peace with correct views and concepts for security of the State and their regions in the process of transforming the nation into a peaceful, modern and developed democratic one.

Translation: MS



Maj-Gen Hla Shwe of the Ministry of Defence addresses formation ceremony of Border Guard Force at Atwinkwinkalay region in Myawady Township.—MNA

Border Guard Force formed at Atwinkwinkalay ...

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It was attended by Maj-Gen Hla Shwe of the Ministry of Defence, Chairman of Kayin State Peace and Development Council Brig-Gen Zaw Min and senior military officers, district level departmental heads, service personnel, townselders, members of Myanmar Women's Affairs Organization, members of Maternal and Child Welfare Association, traditional

dance troupes, bands and dance troupes of No. 1 Basic Education High School in Myawady and their families.

Maj-Gen Hla Shwe of the Ministry of Defence and Chairman of Kayin State Peace Development Council Brig-Gen Zaw Min decorated officers of the border guard force with military insignia of Tatmadaw.

After that, Vice Adjutant-General of the



Border Guard Force members taking oaths as a Tatmadaw member at formation ceremony of Border Guard Force at Atwinkwinkalay region in Myawady Township.—MNA

Ministry of Defence Maj-Gen Hla Shwe delivered

BGF members, cultural troupe members and local people collectively dance at formation ceremony of Border Guard Force at Atwinkwinkalay region in Myawady Township, Kayin State.—MNA

a speech. Maj-Gen Hla Shwe and the Chairman of Kayin State PDC presented cash assistance provided by the Head of State to the members through the commandant of the border guard force.

Members of the border guard force enjoyed themselves in dance and songs together with troupes and local people.

The Vice Adjutant-General and the Chairman of Kayin State PDC presented cash awards to the traditional dance troupes and posed for documentary photos together with them.

On the occasion of a luncheon hosted in honour of the border guard force members, the Vice Adjutant-General delivered an address and cordially greeted the members of the border guard force.

MNA



Mine blast leaves a villager dead in Kyaukkyi Tsp

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Aug—A man named U Hla Win living in Thikchaseik Village, Kyaukkyi Township of Bago Region while searching for vegetable and meat at Migyounggaung Lake in the east of the village, stepped on a mine planted by insurgents on 21 August. The mine blast left him dead on the spot with left ankle injury.— MNA

Lightning strikes house in DaikU

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Aug—A house caught fire when lightning struck the wires in it, setting fire to the duck egg box and a pile of paddy

stalks on the upper floor on Min Street, Ward (1), DaikU, Bago Region, at about 9 pm on 21 August.

The fire was put out

at about 9.30 pm. Two houses and one building were burnt down in the incident, and there were no casualties.

MNA

Tobacco Kills

Applications for registration of political parties scrutinized, passed

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Aug—Of parties that submitted applications for registration of political parties, the Union Election Commission has found the National Development and Peace Party to be in accord with the Political Parties Registration Law and Rules, and thus the commission granted permission to the party to register as a political party today.

Up to date, there are 47 parties that submitted applications to form and to subsist as political parties. Forty two parties 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 members to UEC

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Aug—Political parties are to submit the lists of their members organized in line 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 Wunthanu NLD (Union of Myanmar) submitted the list of its members to the UEC today.

Up to date, 26 of 42 parties that have been granted permission to register as political parties have already submitted member lists of their parties to the UEC within the prescribed date.

MNA

Artistes honoured for composing and presenting songs featuring Dhamma and national interests



Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan making speech.— MNA

YANGON, 24 Aug — A ceremony to honour the artistes who compose and presented religious songs and songs composed in the national interest under the supervision of the Ministry of Information took place at the Studio-A of Myanmar Radio and Television on Pyay Road

occasion and presented honorary awards to the artistes.

Present at the ceremony were departmental heads of the ministry, responsible persons from Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association, Myanmar Music Asiayon and Myanmar Motion Pictures

dustries and guests.

In his speech, Minister U Kyaw Hsan said the programme for composing songs in the national interest has been launched with three aims — to develop Myanmar music by producing more modern music and Myanmar own tune music, to serve

composers and conductors. To be able to compose songs, five themes have been adopted as well. And they are danger of disintegration of national unity, the future State, doing things with consideration and care, the Union and the beauty of Myanmar. In accord with the three aims and five themes, seven music bands, 16 modern music radio broadcasting groups, nine Township Music Asiayons and amateur groups and 18 stereo music bands totaling 50 music bands wrote a total of 205 songs. Among them, awards will be presented for some significant songs and all the remaining songs will be put on record. Besides, the songs will be presented on TV, radio and FM radio programmes.

Awards will also be presented for the old songs featuring the true facts of the nation and the people which have been aired repeatedly. Moreover, those who

helped produce programmes for religious songs will be honoured at today's ceremony.

The minister said he praised and honoured the musicians, vocalists, music bands, technicians, movie stars and all artistes who participated in composing and presenting religious songs and songs composed in the national interest.

Minister U Kyaw Hsan presented prizes and certificates of honour to advisors to Religious Affairs Department who gave a helping hand to producing religious songs, Tipitaka Nikara artistes, musicians who wrote the music for religious songs and technicians.

Next, the minister presented prizes and certificates of honour to artistes who took part in the programme for presenting songs composed in the national interest, music bands and members of scrutinizing and selecting Board.

Then Director-General U Khin Maung Htay of Myanmar Radio and Television presented prizes and certificates of honour to artistes who participated in writing songs composed in the national interest and Managing Director U Aung Myo Myint of Myanmar Motion Picture Enterprise, musicians, vocalists, actors and supporters, Myanmar Athan Modern Music Band, National Orchestra and technicians.

On behalf of the artistes, Chairman of Myanmar Music Asiayon U Maung Maung Latt spoke words of thanks.

Next, artistes sang songs composed in the national interest accompanied by Alinka Wutyi Music Band and Aurora Music Band.

After the ceremony, Minister U Kyaw Hsan cordially greeted the artistes and guests.

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Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan cordially greets artistes.

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here at 9 am today. Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan spoke on the

Asiayon, artistes and technicians from literary, music and movie in-

the national interest through music and to turn out classical music

Myanmar, Timor Leste to promote cooperation



Foreign Affairs Minister U Nyan Win greets Foreign Affairs Minister of Democratic Republic of Timor Leste Dr Zacarias Albano Da Costa.

MOFA

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Aug—A Myanmar delegation led by Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win arrived back in Yangon yesterday after

paying an official visit to Democratic Republic of Timor Leste from 19 to 23 August, at the invitation of Minister for Foreign Affairs of Democratic

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Republic of Timor Leste Dr Zacarias Albano Da Costa.

During the visit, the minister paid a courtesy call on President of Democratic Republic of Timor Leste Mr Jose Ramos-Horta at the latter's residence on 20 August. At the call, they discussed matters pertaining to the promotion of bilateral relations and cooperation and Timor Leste's aspiration of joining ASEAN. The minister also called on Mr Fernando Lassama de Aroujo, President of the National Parliament of Timor Leste on the same day at the latter's office and Mr Jose Luis Guterres, Vice-Prime Minister at the office of the vice-prime minister. At the meetings, they discussed matters related to the promotion of bilateral relations and cooperation between the two countries. Also present at the meetings was U Nyan Lynn, Ambassador of Myanmar to Timor Leste.

Minister U Nyan Win attended a dinner hosted by Dr Zacarias Albano Da Costa, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Timor Leste, at Discovery Inn Hotel.

On 21 August, a bilateral meeting was held. It was attended by the Myanmar delegation led by Foreign Affairs Minister U Nyan Win and the Timor Leste delegation headed by Foreign Affairs Minister Dr Zacarias Albano Da Costa. Both sides had friendly discussions and exchange of views on domestic developments of both countries, promotion of bilateral relations and cooperation, possible areas of cooperation, and Timor Leste's aspiration of joining ASEAN.

Afterwards, the Timor Leste Foreign Affairs Minister hosted a luncheon in honour of Minister U Nyan Win and party at the Salao Nobre room of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Minister U Nyan Win attended a breakfast hosted by Brig-Gen Lere Anang Timor, Deputy Chief of Timor Leste Defence Force, at Hotel Timor on 22 August.

While in Dili, the minister visited F-FDTL Army Training Centre on 21 August and historical sites on 22 August.

Myanmar delegation left Dili for Yangon on 22 August.

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Health Minister inspects hospitals in Yangon

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Aug—Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint on 22 August visited North Okkalapa General Hospital in Yangon.

The minister inspected ophthalmology department, pediatric ward, pathology department, lecture hall of law and medicine department, X-ray department and surgical ward at the hospital.

He heard reports on teaching medicine and construction of buildings submitted by Rector Dr Tint Swe Latt and professors of the Institute of Medicine (2) at the meeting hall of the institute.

The minister called for training medics to become good physicians,

helping them to pursue medicine in an atmosphere of serenity and nurturing patriotic physicians who can fully handle health care responsibility.

He inspected the progress in construction of new building of the institute. He then viewed men's ward, women's ward and intensive care unit and cardiac ward in Yangon People's Hospital.

On arrival at Thingangyun Sanpya Hospital, Medical Superintendent Dr Daw Phyu Phyu and officials conducted the minister around the hospital where he left necessary instructions.

MNA



Health Minister Dr Kyaw Myint comforts patients under treatment at North Okkalapa General Hospital in Yangon Region.

MNA

Deputy Transport Minister meets ADPC officials

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Aug—Deputy Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung received Executive Director Dr Bhichit Rattakul of Thailand-based Asia Disaster Preparedness Center

(ADPC) and party at his office here this morning.

They discussed matters related to disaster preparedness measures.

MNA



Mayor inspects upgrading work

YANGON, 24 Aug — Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor U Aung Thein Lin inspected laying of concrete up to nine inches thick

on the road section from Bogyoke Aung San Road to lower Pazundaung Street in Pazundaung Township here yesterday morning. The road is 950 feet long and 48 feet wide.

The mayor, together with Deputy Minister for Health Dr Paing Soe, attended the opening of Kachin Baptist Association in Shwepyithare Street, Kyundaw Yard, Sangyoung Township.

Later, they inspected arrangements for paving concrete on Ingapu Street, Shan Street and U Shwe Hman Street in Sangyoung Township and Myakyuntha Park on Kaba Aye Pagoda Road. —MNA

Deputy Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung receives Executive Director Dr Bhichit Rattakul and party from ADPC.

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UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT



The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) is seeking applications from dynamic and highly motivated Myanmar nationals for the following vacancies with UNDP Yangon. Detailed terms of reference are available at the bulletin board at No. 6, Natmauk Road, Tamwe Township, Yangon.

Position No. 1

Title : Area Project Manager
Level : SC-8
Duration of Assignment : Minimum 6 months with possibility of extension
Duty Station : Project township offices in the HDI Project areas
(Southern Chin, Northern Chin, Kachin, Northern Rakhine, Eastern Rakhine, Mon/Kayin)

Requirements: Bachelor's degree in a relevant development field, minimum 5 to 7 years relevant work experience at the national or international level in providing management advisory services, computer literate, experience in web-based financial management system is an asset. Experience in strategic planning, result-based management would be an asset. Proven managerial capacity with sound knowledge and experience in all aspect of project cycle (design, implementation, monitoring & evaluation) is desirable. Fluency in English is required.

Position No. 2

Title : Technical Specialist (Micro & Small Enterprise Development)
Level : SC-6
Duration of Assignment : Minimum 6 months with possibility of extension
Duty Station : Bogalay Townships with field travel to the UNDP target villages

Requirements: University degree in Business related disciplines; minimum 3 to 5 years of experience in business development including small business planning, marketing and business financing and accounting; strong computer skills including Microsoft Office including Word and Excel; excellent interpersonal and communication skills; good writing and communication skills in English; diligence attention to critical details, keen sense of work priorities and highly motivated and demonstrated capacity to work in a team. Experience of community development in rural villages of Ayeyarwady delta will be an advantage.

Position No. 3

Title : National Accounts Statistician
Level : SC-6
Duration of Assignment : 12 months with possibility of extension
Duty Station : Yangon (travel to Nay Pyi Taw and survey sites as necessary)

Requirements: Bachelor Degree in Applied Economics, Development Studies, and Applied Statistics or other relevant development degree with minimum 3 to 5 years experience in National accounts. The candidate should have sound experience in National Accounts calculation, economic data collecting and analysis methods, using database software such as Access and SPSS. Knowledge and experience in calculating GDP in 1993 SNA format is highly desirable. Must be fluent in both written and spoken English.

Position No. 4

Title : Price Statistician
Level : SC-6
Duration of Assignment : 12 months with possibility of extension
Duty Station : Yangon (travel to Nay Pyi Taw and survey sites as necessary)

Requirements: Bachelor Degree in Applied Economics, Development Studies, and Applied Statistics or other relevant development degree with minimum 3 to 5 years experience in National accounts. The candidate should have sound experience in price or socio-economic data collection, price data collecting methods, CPI calculation and using database software such as Access and SPSS. Knowledge and experience in price data collection is highly desirable.

Position No. 5

Title : Data Management Associate
Level : SC-6
Duration of Assignment : 12 months with possibility of extension
Duty Station : Yangon (travel to Nay Pyi Taw as necessary)

Requirements: Bachelor Degree with Computer Science or Statistics (OR) any Bachelor Degree with Diploma in Computer Science or Statistics. Candidate should have minimum 3 to 5 years of experience in one or a combination of database management and statistics related field, good analytical skills, skills in computer hardware and software which related to survey and database management, skills in IT (intranet and internet) and Management Information System, using in Database Software such as CSPro, Microsoft Access and SPSS. Knowledge and experience in design, implement and maintenance of Management Information system are highly desirable. Must be fluent in both written and spoken English

Position No. 6

Title : Procurement Assistant
Level : SC-5
Duration of Assignment : Minimum Six months with the possibility of extension
Duty Station : Based in Yangon (with frequent travel to Project Areas)

Requirements: Secondary Education with specialized training in procurement. University Degree in Business or Public Administration would be desirable, but not mandatory. 3 to 5 years of relevant administrative experience is required at the national or international level. Experience in the usage of computers and office software packages (MS Word, Excel, etc.) and knowledge of automated procurement systems, experience in handling of web based management systems. Good level of English, both written and spoken is absolute requirement.

Position No. 7

Title : Human Resources Clerk
Level : SC-3
Duration of Assignment : Minimum Six months with the possibility of extension
Duty Station : Based in Yangon

Requirements: Secondary Education is required. 2 to 3 years of relevant work experience in Human Resources or Administration field. Experience in the usage of computers and office software packages (MS Word, Excel, etc.) and knowledge of web based management systems will be an asset. Ability to communicate in both Myanmar and English is necessary.

Candidates should clearly indicate the Post Title in their application, and should submit together with complete bio-data stating personal details, P-11 Form, academic qualification, work experience and a recent passport sized photograph. Applications should be addressed to **Deputy Resident Representative (Operations) Attention: Human Resources Unit (DST), No. 6, Natmauk Road, UNDP, Yangon. E-mail: registry.mm@undp.org**. Only those candidates in whose qualifications and experience the Organization has further interest will be contacted for subsequent interview(s). **"UNDP practice relating to recruitment prohibits hiring of persons currently engaged by Government services or who left Government service during the past 6 months."** UNDP is an equal opportunity employer. UNDP regrets its inability to reply individually or attend to telephone queries on the advertised posts.

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Copter ends up in San Diego Bay

SAN DIEGO, 24 Aug —

A helicopter trying to make an emergency landing on a bridge wound up splashing into San Diego Bay on Sunday evening, authorities said. The pilot, who was the only person on board the aircraft, was taken to a hospital in unknown condition, San Diego's KGTV-TV reported.

KFMB-TV in San Diego reported police said the 69-year-old pilot tried to put the helicopter down on the Coronado Bridge shortly before 6:30 pm. The TV station said the pilot, who suffered head cuts, told authorities the aircraft lost power shortly after taking off from a charter yacht docked nearby. — *Internet*



The head of the rescue operation said engineers would drill two more shafts. — *INTERNET*

Trapped Chile miners receive food and water

LONDON, 24 Aug — Rescue workers in Chile say they have sent the first supplies of water and food to 33 miners who have been trapped underground for 17 days.

Capsules containing the supplies were sent down a tube, which is the miners' only lifeline.

Rescuers made contact with the miners on Sunday after lowering a probe some 700m (2,300ft) beneath the surface.

The miners have not been told it may take up to four months to get them out, the head of the rescue operation said.

Andres Sougarret said

it could take that long to drill a new shaft wide enough to pull the men to safety.

A specialised drill is on its way to the San Jose copper and gold mine, near the city of Copiapo, for the task.

If more specialised equipment was sent from outside Chile, the operation would still take at least two months, mining minister Laurence Golborne said. — *Internet*

At least 150 women raped in east DRC

UNITED NATIONS, 24 Aug — Militants raped at least 150 women last month during a weekend raid on community villages in eastern part of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), United Nations spokesman Martin Nesirky reported at a press briefing here on Monday.

UN officials accused the Democratic Forces for the Liberation of Rwanda (FDLR) for the attack. The FDLR is an ethnic Hutu rebel group that has been terrorizing the hills of eastern DRC for years, preying on villages in a quest for the natural resources beneath them, reports said.

In the eastern DRC province Nord Kivu, a UN joint human rights team verified allegations of at least 154 women, Nesirky said.

"Victims are receiving medical care and have also been provided with psycho sociological care," he added.

Internet

Bodies hung from bridge in Cuernavaca, Mexico

MEXICO CITY, 24 Aug — Police in Mexico say they have found four bodies hung from a bridge in an affluent town south of Mexico City. The four men had been decapitated and mutilated before being hung by their ankles from the bridge outside Cuernavaca, in the state of Morelos. A message had been left with their heads warning that anyone supporting Edgar Valdez would risk a similar fate.

Edgar Valdez is reportedly fighting Hector Beltran Leyva for control of the influential Beltran Leyva drug cartel. Cuernavaca, a city of 350,000 and a popular

weekend retreat spot for wealthy residents of Mexico City, is at the centre of the turf war. The cartel has been without a leader since Arturo Beltran Leyva was killed by the security forces in December.

Edgar Valdez, a US citizen known as Barbie for his blonde hair, is a leading contender to take over as the head of the gang. But Hector Beltran Leyva, the former leader's brother, is also vying for that position. His other brother Carlos, another contender for the leadership, was arrested in January.

Internet



The bodies were hung from a bridge on a busy road south of Cuernavaca.

INTERNET

The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago.
Second best time is now.

Hungry collector



Bin Kaihuai, 73, in Xiangtan, Hunan Province displays his collection of 12,581 Chinese food coupons that he has collected since 1998.

He has spent almost 200,000 yuan (\$29,270) to amass 12,851 coupons.

"I won't sell them even for 1 million yuan," said Bin, who began collecting them after he retired in 1998 when he found retirement boring.

The oldest coupon is from 1907 and the most recent one is dated 1994 from Tibet.

The largest is for 10,000 kilograms and the smallest is for 0.25 kilograms. Bin said he slept only five hours a day for 12 years while researching and adding to his collection and he's even written a book on the history of Chinese food coupons.

Maine family finds fake bomb in their new home

Police in Millinocket, Maine, are puzzled as to why the town's late police chief had a realistic looking fake bomb in his home. The device was found by the new owners of the home, which had remained empty for several years, when they were moving in on Saturday. They called Millinocket police who in turn called the Maine State Police bomb squad. The neighborhood was evacuated for four hours.

The house had been owned by Millinocket Police Chief Wayne Scarano, who died in 2007.

Millinocket officer Martin Legassey told the *Bangor Daily News* the device had seven sticks of what appeared to be dynamite, a timer or clock, an alarm and wiring.

The Maine Fire Marshal's office now has the device.



Artwork made of push pins by artist Eric Daigh is seen on display at Grand Central Terminal in New York on 4 August, 2010.

News Album



Indonesian architect Ari Mahardika creates scaled-down identical versions of himself for a series of intriguing photo montages.

Sheboygan woman, 79, kills snake with ice chopper

A 79-year-old Sheboygan woman who couldn't find any help when a rattlesnake showed up on her patio said it was no big deal taking matters into her own hands. Margaret Street said she used an ice chopper to kill the snake with three cuts behind the head.

She made some calls hoping to find someone who could help her. She said when that failed she killed the snake because she was afraid it could

hurt someone at a nearby elementary school.

Dale Katsma, with the state Department of Natural Resources, said the massasauga rattlesnake is endangered in Wisconsin, but photos suggest this was a prairie rattlesnake, which isn't endangered or native to the area. He told *The Sheboygan Press* the snake may have been aboard a train bringing materials to a local salvage yard.



A girl presents a creation made from recycled materials during a children models competition in Nanning, capital of southwest China's Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, on 22 Aug, 2010.
XINHUA

Peter Chan's new movie starts shooting

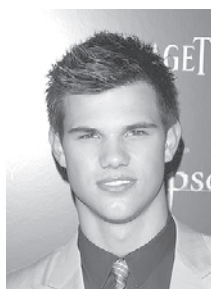
BEIJING, 24 Aug—Director Peter Chan's new movie "Wu Xia" starring Donnie Yen and Takeshi Kaneshiro, better known as Jincheng Wu, has started shooting at Teng Chong, a small town in Yunnan Province, Sohu.com reports.

Set in a small village in ancient China, the film tells about murderer on the run (Yen) and an officer of the law who captures him (Kaneshiro), who are appearing together for the first time.—Xinhua



The entourages of the movie "Wu Xia" are preparing the scene for the movie.—XINHUA

Taylor Lautner sues over RV planned for movie sets



Actor Taylor Lautner
INTERET

LOS ANGELES, 24 Aug—Taylor Lautner is suing an RV dealership he claims didn't deliver a customized coach in time for use on his current movie shoot.

The star of the "Twilight" series sued the Irvine, Calif., dealership of McMahon's RV in Los Angeles on Monday. The lawsuit claims McMahon's missed a June deadline to deliver a \$300,000 customized 2006 Affinity Country Coach RV.—Internet

"True Blood" stars Anna Paquin, Stephen Moyer marry

BEIJING, 24 Aug—"True Blood" stars Anna Paquin and Stephen Moyer tied the knot at a private home in Malibu, Calif. on Saturday, according to media reports. The nuptials were attended by guests such as Elijah Wood and "Blood" co-star Carrie Preston. "It was a beautiful evening to get married and the sunset was gorgeous. Anna and Stephen seemed very excited to celebrate their wedding day with their families and close friends," a source told *People*.—Xinhua



Actress Anna Paquin (L) and British actor Stephen Moyer from "True Blood" arrive at the 16th annual Screen Actors Guild Awards in Los Angeles on 23 January, 2010.
XINHUA



In this photo taken on 14 Aug, 2010, men on a rowboat chase a nine-metre (30-foot) mechanized whale during the annual whaling festival in Taiji, Wakayama Prefecture in western Japan in a re-creation of the old whale hunts, when hundreds of men in dozens of boats would set out with knives and harpoons. The ancient village has a long and complex relationship with the dolphin. In early September, the waters of this same cove will turn blood red, as it becomes a holding pen for the annual dolphin hunts.
INTERNET

Tevez at the double as Manchester City beat Liverpool

MANCHESTER, 24 Aug — Carlos Tevez scored twice as Manchester City overpowered Liverpool 3-0 at Eastlands here on Monday.

James Milner, on his City debut, set up his former Aston Villa teammate Gareth Barry to side-foot in the first goal in the 13th minute.

And the Argentina striker got on the end of Micah Richards's header seven minutes into the second half.

Liverpool — without Javier Mascherano amid reports the Argentina international was on his way to Barcelona — saw captain Steven Gerrard hit the post with a powerful shot.

And in the ensuing scramble City goalkeeper Joe Hart made a fine double save to deny both David Ngog and Fernando Torres.

Tevez made the game safe from the penalty spot after Adam Johnson was brought down by Martin Skrtel. —Internet



Manchester City's Argentinian forward Carlos Tevez (L) celebrates after scoring his team's second. —INTERNET

SPORTS

Evra to appeal French World Cup football ban

PARIS, 24 Aug — French skipper Patrice Evra is to appeal the five-match ban he was handed by a disciplinary commission for co-leading a train-

ing strike during an abortive World Cup, his lawyer said on Monday.

"To this day, Mr Patrice Evra has not received notification of the decision by the Federal Disciplinary Commission (of the French Football Federation) on 17 August banning him from the French team for five matches," Jean-Yves Foucard said.

He added that the reasoning behind the ban had not been explained to the Manchester United player and decried varying individual punishment for a collective misdeed.

Internet



French skipper Patrice Evra, seen here in May 2010, is to appeal the five-match ban. —INTERNET

Injured Cisse to miss league opener

ATHENS, 24 Aug — French international striker Djibril Cisse has been ruled out of action for at least two weeks because of injury, his club Panathinaikos announced on Monday.

Cisse, the leading scorer last year in the Greek Super League in his initial season with the Athens club, suffered a knock to his left leg in Sunday's friendly clash with Genoa won by Panathinaikos 2-0 at the Olympic Stadium.

He will miss Friday's league opener against Xanthi at home and the following week's clash with Aris at Salonica.

Panathinaikos officials are optimistic that Cisse

Tiger Woods celebrates with wife Elin Nordegren. —INTERNET



France's striker Djibril Cisse has been ruled out of action for at least two weeks. —INTERNET

will be ready for the team's first tie in the Champions League next month.

"We'll miss him the next two weeks. He was in great shape, but when you play on such a pitch it's like playing in sand," Panathinaikos coach Nikos Nioplias said of the pitch at the Olympic stadium. —Internet

Gallas ready to give Spurs his all

LONDON, 24 Aug — William Gallas insisted on Monday he had not moved from Arsenal to north London rivals Tottenham Hotspur lightly but the France defender promised to give his new club "everything".

The 33-year-old Gallas is not the first player to move from one of the bitter rivals to the other and there are signs supporters of both clubs are far from happy at the move.

"It was not an easy decision but I am here now and I will give my best," Gallas told his new

club's official website, www.tottenhamhotspur.com.

"What is most important to me is to play games and to give everything."

Gallas added he'd joined a club capable of winning the English Premier League this season. —Internet



William Gallas, insisted on Monday he had not moved from Arsenal to north London. —INTERNET

Panucci announces retirement

ROME, 24 Aug — Former Italy international Christian Panucci has announced his retirement from football at the age of 37.

In a glorious 20-year career the right back, who could also play in the mid-

dle of defence, represented AC Milan, Inter Milan, Real Madrid and Chelsea, amongst other teams.

He won the Champions League with both Milan and Madrid and lifted titles in Italy and Spain.

"I had other offers from the United States but I don't have the same desire as before, it's right to say enough," he told Sky Sport 24.

Panucci reserved special thanks for England coach Fabio Capello, with whom he worked at Milan, Madrid and AS Roma.

Internet

AS Roma's defender Christian Panucci, seen here in 2008, has announced his retirement from football. —INTERNET



Denmark's Wozniacki wins Rogers Cup tennis in Montreal

MONTREAL, 24 Aug — Denmark's Caroline Wozniacki easily beat Vera Zvonareva 6-3, 6-2 on Monday in the final of the rain-hit WTA Rogers Cup, one of the last tune-up events for the US Open.

The 20-year-old Wozniacki defeated the Russian in a Monday championship game which was pushed back a day after heavy rains washed out play over the weekend.

The second-seeded Wozniacki started the day by defeating Svetlana Kuznetsova in the semi-finals.

Zvonareva, the eighth seed, also advanced ear-

lier in the day when Belarus' Victoria Azarenka pulled out of their semi-final match in the second set because of a blister on her foot.

Internet



Caroline Wozniacki of Denmark celebrates her win over Vera Zvonareva of Russia. —INTERNET

Arsenal moving closer to Squillaci signing

LONDON, 24 Aug — Arsenal were closing in on signing defender Sebastien Squillaci from Sevilla after the Spanish club announced the 30-

year-old Frenchman was on his way to the English Premier League side for a medical.

"Defender Sebastien Squillaci is travelling to London to have a medical at Arsenal, the club he will be transferred to after an agreement was reached by the two clubs pending the results of the medical," Sevilla's statement said.

Squillaci is set to reinforce an Arsenal defence that has lost the likes of William Gallas, Mikael Silvestre, Sol Campbell and Philippe Senderos if he does join a club managed by fellow Frenchman Arsene Wenger. —Internet



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Tiger Woods, wife officially divorced

FLORIDA, 24 Aug — Divorced. Single dad. Golf game still to be determined. And so, after nine months of turmoil over his extramarital affairs, now begins the next chapter in the life and times of Tiger Woods. In a hearing that lasted no more than 10 minutes in a Florida judge's chambers, Woods and his Swedish-born wife officially divorced on Monday.

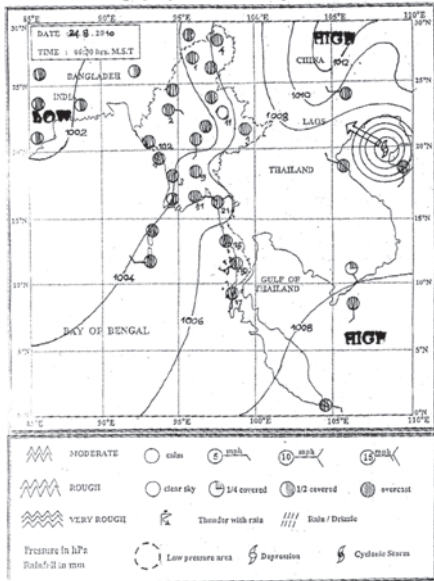
"We are sad that our marriage is over and we wish each other the very best for the future," Woods and Elin Nordegren said in a joint statement released by their lawyers. The divorce was granted shortly after 2 p.m. in Bay County

Circuit Court in Panama City, Fla., about 375 miles from their Isleworth home outside Orlando, where Woods drove his SUV over a fire hydrant and into a tree on Thanksgiving night. That set off shocking revelations that sports' biggest star had been cheating on his wife through multiple affairs.

Internet



Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Tuesday, 24th August, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T.
During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in lower Sagaing Region, scattered in Kachin, Rakhine, Kayah and Kayin States, upper Sagaing and Yangon Regions, fairly widespread in Shan State and Mandalay, Bago and Ayeyawady Regions and widespread in the remaining States and Regions with isolated heavy falls in Rakhine State and Taninthayi Region. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Pymmana) (0.20) inch, Longlon (4.65) inches, Sittway (4.09) inches, Paletwa (2.32) inches, Myeik (2.01) inches, Kayan (1.65) inches and Kyaupadaung (1.44) inches.

Nay Pyi Taw Weather

Maximum temperature on 23-8-2010 was 90°F. Minimum temperature on 24-8-2010 was 77°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 24-8-2010 was (77%). Rainfall on 24-8-2010 was (Tr).

Yangon (Kaba-Aye) Weather

Maximum temperature on 23-8-2010 was 82°F. Minimum temperature on 24-8-2010 was 77°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 24-8-2010 was (82%). Total Sunshine hours on 23-8-2010 was (1.8) hours.

Rainfall on 24-8-2010 was (1.26) inches at Mingaladon, (1.22) inches at Kaba-Aye and (0.24) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (53.74) inches at Mingaladon, (60.04) inches at Kaba-Aye and (71.42) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum windspeed at

Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from Southeast at (17:30) hours MST on 22-8-2010.

Special Features: According to the observations at (12:30) hrs MST today, yesterday's tropical storm "Mindulle" over South China Sea (Gulf of Tonkin) is crossing North coast of Vietnam.

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

Forecast valid until afternoon of the 25th August 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be scattered in lower Sagaing and Magway Regions, fairly widespread in Kachin, Chin and Rakhine States, upper Sagaing, Mandalay and Ayeyawady Regions, widespread in the remaining States and Regions with likelihood of isolated heavy falls in Rakhine, Kayin and Mon States and Taninthayi Region. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at time 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 waters.

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

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 25-8-2010: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 25-8-2010: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 25-8-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Guatemala warns of high waves, heavy flooding

MEXICO CITY, 23 Aug—Guatemala will be faced with high waves and heavy flooding throughout the week, due to tropical storm Frank, which passed by the nation on Sunday, it is reported.

Guatemala's National Institute of Seismology, Volcanology, Meteorology and Hydrology is predicting sea waves of 3.8 meters high on Monday and Tuesday, which will reduce gradually to 2.7 meters by Sunday. Wind speed is expected to be around 24 km per hour (kph), dropping to about 14 kph by Sunday.

Many Guatemalans experienced heavy rains at the weekend as the storm moved close to the country's Pacific coast, which triggered flooding in some regions around its capital, Guatemala City.

Xinhua



Apartments are everywhere nowadays in Shenzhen, south China's Guangdong Province. The year 2010 marks the 30th anniversary of the founding of Shenzhen Special Economic Zone.—XINHUA

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (25-8-2010) (Wednesday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	- (09:00am ~ 11:00am) MST
Oversea Transmission	- (25-8-10 09:30 am ~ 26-8-10 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * The Glory of Myanmar Energy
- * News
- * Wagaung...A Festival For Presenting Offertories by Lot
- * News
- * Myanmar's intricate arts and crafts...silk fabric with wavy patterns
- * News
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- * The Conspicuous Dhammayangyi
- * Reed Mats
- * News
- * (Being Young) Youth & Sports
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Kyaik Htee Yo (Part 2)
- * News
- * Sumo 2010
- * Myanmar Movie "One Precept"



Wednesday, 25 August
View on today

- 7:00 am
- မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၏ပရိတ်တရားတော်
 - ဟောဆရာတော် ဟောကြားတော်မူသော ဥပ္ပါတသန္တီပရိတ်တော်
- 7:20 am
- မြတ်ဂုဏ်တော်သခင် (သန်းမြတ်စိုး) တေးရေး-မောင်မောင်လတ်
- 7:30 am
- Morning News
- 7:40 am
- နိုင်ငံတော်သယံမဟာနာယကအဖွဲ့ (အဖွဲ့ဝင်) မန္တလေးတိုင်းဒေသကြီး၊ တောင်သာမြို့ သာသနဗုဒ္ဓကရာဇာမဟိတိ
- 8:30 am
- International News
- 8:40 am
- Islands of Dhamma (5)
- 8:45 am
- ဘုဒ္ဓသိရိန္ဒ (အဂ္ဂမဟာပဏ္ဍိတအဂ္ဂမဟာသဒ္ဓမ္မဇောတိကဓဇ) ဒုတိယဥက္ကဋ္ဌဆရာတော်၊ နိုင်ငံတော်သယံမဟာနာယကအဖွဲ့၊ အလယ်ဝန်ကြောင်း တိုက်သထုံမြို့၊ ဗုဒ္ဓပြည်နယ် ထံမှ နဝရံပေါသထသီလခံယူဆောင်တည်ခြင်း။
- 3:30 pm
- Myanmar National League MNL Cup (2010) အားလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲ တိုက်ရိုက်ထုတ်လွှင့်မှု အစီအစဉ် (နေပြည်တော် FC အသင်းနှင့် ဇေယျာရွှေမြေ FC အသင်း)

- 5:00 pm
- Song Of National Races
- 5:05 pm
- ရန်ကုန်တိုင်းဒေသကြီး၊ အမှတ်(၃) အခြေခံပညာဦးစီးဌာန၊ ပဉ္စမအကြိမ် မွေကြာဝတ်ရွတ်ပူဇော်ပွဲ (ဒုတိယဆု) (အထက (၁) သန်လျင်) (အမျိုးသားဝတ်ရွတ်အဖွဲ့)
- 5:25 pm
- Songs For Uphold National Spirit
- 5:30 pm
- Classical Songs
- 5:40 pm
- "ထုထည်ကြီးမား ထင်ရှားစက်မို့ရင်"
- 5:50 pm
- ရွှေယံလုံလင် အာဆီယံ အစီအစဉ်
- 6:00 pm
- Evening News
- 6:15 pm
- Weather Report
- 6:20 pm
- မြန်မာ့လေ့ရှိရာလက်တွေ့
- 6:45 pm
- ထက်မြက်ပျော်ရွှင် အိမ်ထောင်ရှင်
- 7:15 pm
- ရသပေါလွင် သရုပ်ဆောင်လွင်ပြင်
- 7:45 pm
- အလင်္ကာဝတ်ရည်ပြန်မာမှု တေးဂီတအဖွဲ့ဖျော်ဖြေခန်း
- 8:00 pm
- News
15. International News
16. Weather Report
17. တာဝရတို့မြေအလှ (ဟောမာနေဝင်း) တေးရေး-ပက်ထရစ် (မိုးသောက်ပန်း)
18. "နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ" "ချစ်တေးသံသာ" (အဂ္ဂိန်း-ဂုဏ်)
19. ၂၀၀၉ ခုနှစ် (၁၇) ကြိမ်မြောက်မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှု အဆိုအက၊ အရေး၊ အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ "သားကောင်းရတနာပြုတော်" (ဒုတိယဆု) (မန္တလေးတိုင်းဒေသကြီး)
20. သီတဂူဆရာတော်ဒေါက်တာ ဘုဒ္ဓညာဏ်သာရ၏မေတ္တာ သုတ္တန်တရားတော်
21. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၏ အရပ်ဆယ်မျက်နှာ မေတ္တာဘာဝနာပွားများခြင်း တရားတော်



- ★ 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

Border Guard Force formed at Atwinkwinkalay region, Myawady Township, Kayin State



Maj-Gen Hla Shwe of Ministry of Defence decorates an officer of Border Guard Force with Tatmadaw insignia.
MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Aug— With the aim of ensuring equitable development of all parts of the Union, the government of the Union of Myanmar is making arrangements for the national race groups that have returned to the legal fold to be able to perform duties as border guard forces. A ceremony to constitute the Border Guard Force of DKBA was held on a grand scale at Atwinkwinkalay region, Myawady Township in Kayin State, on 21 August evening.

(See page 9)

National Development and Peace Party granted permission to register as political party

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Aug—The Union Election Commission issued the Notification No. 95/2010 today. The translation of the notification is as follows:-

Union of Myanmar
Union Election Commission
Nay Pyi Taw
Notification No. 95/2010
14th Waxing of Wagaung, 1372 ME
(24 August 2010)

National Development and Peace Party granted permission to register as political party

The Union Election Commission granted permission to National Development and Peace Party headquartered at No. 16 on fourth floor on 89th Street, Kannauk Ward, Mingala Taungnyunt Township, Yangon, to register as a political party in accord with the Article 9 of the Political Parties Registration Law as of 24 August 2010.

The registration number of National Development and Peace Party is (42).

By order
Sd/ Win Ko
Secretary
Union Election Commission

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