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Prime Minister felicitates Premier of Cabinet of DPRK

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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

PM: the drive for building a modern developed nation will come true only if every citizen is literate

International Literacy Day 2010 observed in Nay Pyi Taw



NAY PYI TAW, 8 Sept — The ceremony to observe the International Literacy Day 2010 was held at the meeting hall of the Ministry of Education here this afternoon. Prime Minister U Thein Sein delivered an address and presented prizes to the winners at the ceremony.

It was also attended by Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Brig-Gen Maung Maung Aye, the ministers, the deputy ministers, members of Myanmar Education Committee, ambassadors and staff of foreign embas-

sies to Myanmar, resident representatives of the UN agencies, departmental heads, departments under the Ministry of Education, directors-general, chairmen and rectors of boards and universities, principals of Education Colleges, responsible persons of social organizations, teachers, students, winners and guests.

Ma Htet Wun Nandi Aye and Ma Phu Khat Wai of Basic Education High School No. 2 in Pinyin Township of Nay Pyi Taw District acted as MC.

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Prime Minister U Thein Sein addressing ceremony to mark International Literacy Day 2010.—MNA



PERSPECTIVES

Thursday, 9 September, 2010

Ward off menace posed by narcotics

Today, people, rich or poor and countries, developed or developing, around the world are under grave threats posed by narcotic drugs.

Accordingly, it is much needed to educate the people about the menace of narcotics. Abuse of narcotic drugs can cause infection with HIV virus. Once addicted to narcotic drugs, youths are in no position to enjoy normal privileges of life.

Emphasis is therefore to be placed on educating the people especially the youth about narcotics in order for elimination of drug-related consequences.

Today, stimulant tablets produced scientifically with precursor chemicals are in place of narcotic drugs. Anti-narcotics operations are being implemented with increasing momentum. As a result, many more drug-smuggling gangs have been exposed at home and abroad.

The youth, the future of the nation, are most vulnerable to drugs. So, dangers being faced by many drug addict youths are shockingly alarming.

It is out of the question to lead a peaceful life if people have access to narcotics. So, only when one stays away from drug abuse will it be possible for one to enjoy a healthy life.

It is therefore mandatory for the entire people to take a role as a national duty in anti-narcotics measures so as to create a healthy society.

People's Defence

- * 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

MWVO opens Advanced Organizing Course

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Sept—The opening of Advanced Organizing Course conducted by Myanmar War Veterans Organization (MWVO) was held at War Veteran Training School in Patheingyi Township on 6 September, attended by Chairman of Mandalay Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Central Command Brig-Gen Ye Aung together with Mandalay City Development Committee Chairman Mayor U Phone Zaw Han and officials of the MWVO.

The commander later went to staff quarter of the Patheingyi Township WVO where he inspected progress in building of staff quarter and left instructions.

MNA

Foreign Minister felicitates DPRK counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Sept—On the occasion of National Foundation Day of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, which falls on 9 September 2010, U Nyan Win, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Pak Ui Chun, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

MNA



Chairman of Mandalay Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Central Command Brig-Gen Ye Aung visits staff quarter of Patheingyi Township WVO.

MNA

Myanmar, Serbia to enhance cooperation

YANGON, 8 Sept—President of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry U Win Myint

and Vice-President U Zaw Min Win, the general secretary and joint general secretary received Mr Nino Maljevic, Charge d'

Affaires ai of Serbia Embassy in Myanmar, at UMFCFI office here on 3 September.

They discussed matters on mutual cooperation between the two countries.—MNA

Myanmar Brewery Ltd vaccinates blood donors against Hepatitis (B)

YANGON, 8 Sept — Myanmar Brewery Ltd established since 1995 is one of the earliest leading corporations in Myanmar. Assisting the people of the nation from which the company is profiting is one of its crucial objectives.

The company started a new plan in 2009 that it will vaccinate each regular blood donor against Hepatitis (B) for coming 10 years.

As the first step of its long-term plan on 15 June 2009, the company injected Hepatitis (B)

vaccines into 1982 regular blood donors in Ayeyawady Region and Mon State.

The company also vaccinated 924 blood donors in Rakhine State on 25 March 2010; 710 in Kachin State on 18 June; and 520 in Sagaing Region on 31 August.

On 2 September 2010, 165 with rare RH(-) blood type out of regular blood donors listed in Blood Bank of Mandalay People's Hospital were vaccinated against the Hepatitis (B).

MNA



A ceremony to vaccinate blood donors against Hepatitis (B) in progress.



President of UMFCFI U Win Myint receives Mr Nino Maljevic, Charge d' Affaires ai of Serbia Embassy.—MNA

Advanced technologies, solutions on sale at ICT Expo (Mandalay)

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Sept — 12 September.

Advanced new technologies and solutions of True Value such as Real Time Tracking System, CAR Black Box, keychain, watch and data logger with GPS, Telephone Voice Logging System, Home Security System, RFID card (Radio Frequency Identification), CCTV and Wireless Service Bell will be on sale at a 10 per cent discount at ICT Expo 2010 (Mandalay) from 10 to

For further information, contact True Value (Yangon Office) at No. (351), Room (103), Theinbyu Street, Mingala Taungnyunt Township (Ph: 09 8022025), Mandalay Office at No. (5) on 26th street between 78 and 79 streets (Ph: 02 21572) and Nay Pyi Taw Office in Thabyegon Market, Nay Pyi Taw (Ph: 067 414113).

MNA

Six killed in two separate bomb attacks in Baghdad



A resident inspects a damaged minibus after a bomb attack in Bayaa District in southwestern Baghdad on 8 September, 2010. A car bomb and a roadside bomb exploded near a bus terminal in the Iraqi capital on Wednesday, killing three people and wounding a score of others, police and interior ministry sources said.

INTERNET

BAGHDAD, 8 Sept—Iraqi police and health officials say at least six people have been killed and 35 wounded in two

separate attacks in Baghdad.

A police officer says three policemen and one civilian have been killed when a parked car bomb exploded Wednesday near a bus station in the southern Bayaa neighbourhood. A second bomb targeting police and rescue services arriving at the blast site detonated minutes later.

There were no reports on casualties from the second blast.

In eastern Baghdad, two bombs near a bus station detonated simultaneously Wednesday, killing two civilians and wounding 12 others.

Health officials confirmed the death toll.

All officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they are not authorized to speak to the media.

Internet

Iraqi journalist killed in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 8 Sept—An Iraqi journalist working for the country's official television was killed in western Baghdad on Tuesday morning, an Interior Ministry source said.

Riyadh al-Sarray, presenter of political and religious programmes in the state-run television Iraqia, was gunned down by armed men in their car in al-Harhiyah District when he was heading for work, the source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity.

The victim began to work for Iraqia TV in 2005 and had worked with several local television channels, the source said.

Statistics of the Iraqi Union of Journalists showed that more than 275 of its members and media workers have been killed since the start of the US-led war in March 2003.

According to earlier reports by Paris-based media watchdog Reporters Without Borders, after the outbreak of the 2003 war, Iraq has become the most dangerous place for journalists since World War II.

Xinhua



An Afghan boy is removed from a stretcher at a hospital, after being injured in a suicide attack in Kandahar, Afghanistan, Saturday, on 4 Sept, 2010. Some people were killed and others wounded in a suicide car bomb attack on a US Army convoy in the militant hotbed of Kandahar, according to local hospitals. NATO said there were no injuries to coalition forces or damage to their vehicles.—

INTERNET

People inspect the site of bomb attacks in Baghdad on 5 September, 2010.

INTERNET



Second Hungarian soldier dies of Afghanistan wounds

BUDAPEST, 8 Sept—A second Hungarian soldier has died of wounds sustained in Afghanistan when their convoy was attacked by militants two weeks ago, the Hungarian Defence Ministry announced on Tuesday.

Corporal Gyorgy Kolozsvari, 37, died of shrapnel wounds in a Budapest hospital early on Tuesday. Killed immediately in the 23 Aug attack was Lieutenant Judit Abraham Papp. Two other Hungarians suffered serious but not life-threatening wounds.

Kolozsvari was flown home on 25 Aug and despite the round-the-clock efforts of doctors at Hungary's military hospital, his vital functions ceased after two weeks on a respirator.

Kolozsvari had been a professional soldier, who joined the military in 1996. He had served in Kosovo and in Bosnia-Herzegovina. He was on the way to the airport to return home following his second six-month tour in Afghanistan when attacked. Kolozsvari was married and had two young children.

Xinhua

US and allies kill, injure Iraqi people

BAGHDAD, 8 Sept—There has been daily casualties in Iraq since the US and its allies have invaded the country.

Casualties of Iraqi people

The total number of casualties as from the day they invaded the country to 8 Sept reached 703381 and the total number of seriously injured people reached 1272715, according to the news on the Internet.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Death toll of Iraqi people	703381
2.	The total number of seriously injured people	1272715

Internet

Casualties of Afghan people in invasion of NATO troops led by US

KABUL, 8 Sept—The NATO troops led by the US have invaded Afghanistan and they are there for a long time.

A number of Afghan people are killed and injured due to invasion of the NATO troops led by the US.

Casualties of Afghan people

According to the Internet news, a total of 33121 Afghan people were killed and 39767 injured seriously as from the day when the NATO troops led by the US invaded Afghanistan to 8 Sept.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Number of Afghan people killed	33121
2.	Seriously injured Afghan people	39767

Internet

Iraqi soldier fires on US troops, kills two

BAGHDAD, 8 Sept—An Iraqi soldier fired a barrage of bullets at American troops protecting one of their commanders during a visit to an Iraqi army base Tuesday and killed two of them, the first US servicemen to die since President Barack Obama declared an end to combat operations in the country last week.

Even after the US dramatically reduced the number of troops and rebranded its mission in Iraq, the attack was a reminder that Americans still have to defend themselves in a dangerous country where Iraqi forces only have a tenuous hold on security. Nine Americans were wounded in Tuesday's shooting.—*Internet*

Afghan Border Police frisk villagers passing through a checkpoint of the US marines' 1st Light Armoured Reconnaissance Battalion in Taghaz village in Helmand on 7 September, 2010.

INTERNET



Science



An aerial view of the Ice glacier of Ilulissat, Greenland in 2009. Estimates of the rate of ice loss from Greenland and West Antarctica, one of the most worrying questions in the global warming debate, should be halved, according to Dutch and US scientists.
INTERNET

Google, Apple eye fierce Internet TV competition

BEIJING, 8 Sept—Google's CEO Eric Schmidt showed a new service on Tuesday at the IFA Berlin fair about future Internet TV on the PC, just a week after Steve Jobs unveiled an Apple TV product, according to *Reuters* on Wednesday.

Schmidt displayed a new service yesterday set to bring Google TV programmes into living rooms this autumn. This service would allow full access to the web via TV.

Apple's TV device is a compact box which could hook onto TVs and allows viewers to watch online TV shows and

movies that they have just rented or downloaded from iTunes, YouTube and also Flickr.

Google TV will combine its smartphone with the Android platform, which allows open access to all Internet content, while Apple TV may stick to its iPhone and iPad devices with iTunes Ping introducing social networking features.

The two Internet giants have increasingly challenged each other in consumer electronics and software programmes of all stripes.

Xinhua

Microbes are eating BP oil without using up oxygen

WASHINGTON, 8 Sept—Government scientists studying the BP disaster are reporting the best possible outcome: Microbes are consuming the oil in the Gulf without depleting the oxygen in the water and creating "dead zones" where fish cannot survive.

Outside scientists said this so far vindicates the difficult and much-debated decision by BP and the government to use massive amounts of chemical dispersants deep underwater to break up the oil before it reached the surface.

Oxygen levels in some places where the BP oil spilled are down by 20 percent, but that is not nearly low enough to create dead zones, according to the 95-page

report released Tuesday.

In an unusual move, BP released 771,000 gallons of chemical dispersant about a mile deep, right at the spewing wellhead instead of on the surface, to break down the oil into tiny droplets.

The idea was to make it easier for oil-eating microbes to do their job. But the risk was that the microbes would use up

the oxygen in the water. So BP had to perform a delicate balancing act.

"Has it hit the sweet spot? Yes. Was it by design? Partly," said Steve Murawski, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration senior scientist who headed the federal team of researchers.

Internet

BP will publish an eagerly awaited report on the causes of the Gulf of Mexico oil spill on Wednesday, the company announced.
INTERNET



Technology

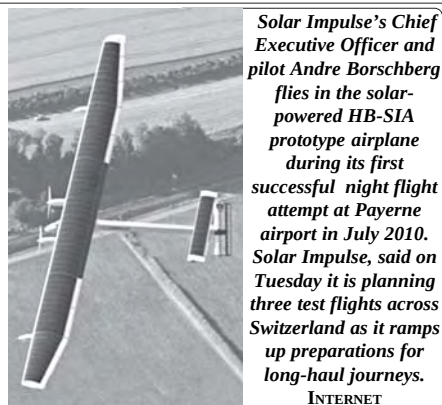
Apple releases Safari updates

NEW YORK, 8 Sept—On Tuesday Apple issued minor updates to its Safari Web browser with "improvements to compatibility and security": Safari 5.0.2 for Leopard and Snow Leopard (OS X 10.5.8 or later) or Windows (XP, Vista, and 7) and Safari 4.1.2 for Tiger (OS X 10.4.11). Safari 5.0.2 address three areas: It fixes an issue that could prevent users from submitting Web forms; it fixes an issue that could cause Web content to display incorrectly when viewing a Google Image result with Flash 10.1 installed; and it establishes an encrypted, authenticated connection to the Safari Extensions Gallery. The Safari 4.1.2 update only addresses the Web form submission issue.

You can download the updates via OS X's Software Update mechanism, and Apple has a page explaining the security content of the updates on its site now.—Internet



A bridge broke due to the heavy rainfall in Departamento de Suchitepéquez, south Guatemala, on 7 September, 2010.—XINHUA



Solar Impulse's Chief Executive Officer and pilot Andre Borschberg flies in the solar-powered HB-SIA prototype airplane during its first successful night flight attempt at Payerne airport in July 2010. Solar Impulse, said on Tuesday it is planning three test flights across Switzerland as it ramps up preparations for long-haul journeys.
INTERNET

Android vs iPhone is no easy call

NEW YORK, 8 Sept—Google's Android mobile operating system proved a formidable rival to the wildly popular iPhone in a recent real-world test.

Android will overtake the iPhone in sales this year, according to an IDC forecast released Tuesday. IDC predicts that by year's end, Android will have a 16 percent market share worldwide, compared with the iPhone's 15 percent. Symbian will continue to lead with 40 percent, and the BlackBerry platform will hold on to second place with about an 18 percent share, IDC said. Trying out a Motorola Droid 2 on Verizon Wireless alongside my own AT&T iPhone 3GS over the past few weeks, I found Android a tempting alternative to the iPhone platform, though there were surprises on both sides.—Internet

Google milks animated doodle mystery on Twitter

SEATTLE, 8 Sept—For a dozen years, Google Inc has been occasionally swapping its everyday logo for a "doodle," a sketch celebrating holi-days, inventions, artists and sporting events, and showcasing designs from contest-winning students. Usually, Google makes it clear what's being celebrated, using the doodle as a lure to teach Web surfers more about the topic — artist Nam June Paik on his birthday, for example, or the history of China's lantern festival, to pick just

two of more than 300 past designs.

But Google has so far left Tuesday's doodle a mystery, prompting people to speculate about the meaning of this mass of blue, red, yellow and green bouncing balls that skitter across Google.com as if allergic to the mousepointer before settling into the familiar logo pattern.

Google's official statement says merely that "today's doodle is fast, fun and interactive, just the way we think search should be."—Internet

Vapor caused by the hot water coming down from the active Pacaya volcano can be seen in a yard, on 7 September, 2010.—XINHUA



Health

Many HIV-infected kids could use cheaper treatment safely

WASHINGTON, 8 Sept—For HIV-infected children in the developing world, treatment choices have been limited by concerns over the possible development of resistance to drugs they received as infants during failed attempts to prevent their infection in the first place. But a new US National Institutes of Health-funded study suggests there may be a way to administer one particularly cheap and practical HIV drug — nevirapine — safely and effectively to many of these children. The finding was detailed by study co-author Louise Kuhn, a professor of epidemiology at the Mailman School of Public Health at Columbia University in New York City, and Dr Lynne Mofenson, chief of the



pediatric, adolescent and maternal AIDS branch of the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, during a recent teleconference.

The study itself will be published in the 8 Sept issue of the *Journal of the American Medical Association*.

Mofenson noted that globally 430,000 infants become infected with HIV. About 90 percent of these children live in sub-Saharan Africa.

Internet

Decline in adult smoking stalls, alarming experts

NEW YORK, 8 Sept—Although the hazards of smoking are well known, 20 percent of Americans still light up, US health officials said on Tuesday.

The number of adult smokers dropped between 2000 and 2005, but the decline has leveled out, according to a new report from the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

"The 40-year decline in tobacco in the United States has stalled," CDC director Dr Thomas R Frieden said during an early afternoon press conference.

"Between 2005 and 2009 there was no further reduction in tobacco use," he said. And despite progress nearly 90 million American non-smokers are exposed to toxic chemicals in tobacco smoke."

Frieden laid the blame for the stalled smoking decline on the doorstep of the tobacco industry.

"The industry has gotten even better at sidestepping laws designed to get people to stop smoking," he said. "They ensure that every cigarette they sell is designed to deliver nicotine quickly and efficiently to keep people addicted."

In addition, the industry uses marketing techniques to get children to start smoking. And they create new products that get around laws to attract new smokers, Frieden said. More men (24 percent) than women (18 percent) were smoking in 2009, says the report, which also found that people with less education and lower incomes were more likely than others to smoke. Thirty-one percent of smokers live below the poverty level, and 25 percent never graduated from high school compared with 6 percent of those with graduate degrees, the report says.—Internet



Multivitamin use doesn't impact colon cancer outcomes

WASHINGTON, 8 Sept—Patients with colon cancer who used multivitamins during and after being treated with post-surgical chemotherapy did not reduce the risk of the cancer returning or their dying from it, according to researchers at Maryland-based Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

In a study of patients with stage III colon cancer — characterized as cancer in the large bowel area with some cancer cells in a few nearby lymph nodes — the researchers found that while multivitamin use had no beneficial effect on patients' outcomes, it also did not have a detrimental effect.

Xinhua

Business

China launches Int'l fair to bolster trade, investment

XIAMEN, 8 Sept—China started an annual international fair here Wednesday to promote investment and trade.

Chinese Vice President Xi Jinping officially launched the event by raising a symbolic "golden key" to open the exhibition hall at the coastal city of Xiamen in the southeast Fujian Province. About 50,000 domestic and foreign businessmen are expected to take part in the four-day event, which has become one of China's most influential platform for the promotion of trade and investment.

Xinhua



Containers wait to be unloaded in the northern German City of Hamburg. German exports rose sharply in July compared to the year before, official data showed on Wednesday, providing a further boost to Europe's top economy as it bounces back from last year's crippling recession.

INTERNET

Sinochem approaches Temasek on Potash bid

ORONTO, 8 Sept—China's state-owned Sinochem Corp has invited Temasek, the Singapore sovereign wealth fund, to join a consortium that may bid for Canada's Potash Corp (POT), the world's largest fertilizer supplier, sources with knowledge of the matter said on Tuesday.

The move follows an order by Chinese officials for state companies to meet investment bankers to explore ways to block BHP Billiton's (BHP AX)(BLT L) \$39 billion hostile bid for Potash Corp.

Further raising pressure on BHP to sweeten its bid, Potash Corp said on Tuesday it had contacts with several other

parties that had shown interest in possible transactions. It has called the Anglo-Australian miner's \$130-a-share offer "grossly inadequate." "A number of third parties have already expressed interest in alternative transactions, some whom we approached and others, who initiated contact on their own," Potash Corp Chief Executive Bill Doyle said in a video clip posted on the company's website. (www.potashcorp.com)

China, which typically buys about 7 percent of the output of Potash Corp, fears a BHP takeover might jeopardize supplies it will require to feed its huge population in coming years.

Internet

Japan's money supply rises in August

TOKYO, 8 Sept—Japan's benchmark money supply measure grew 2.1 percent in August from a year earlier, the Bank of Japan (BOJ) said in a monthly report on Wednesday.

Japan's money stock, as measured by the key M2 aggregate, rose slightly to 2.8 percent on year in August following a 2.7 percent increase logged in July, the central bank data revealed.

The balance of M2 includes currency in circulation and deposits, but excludes those held at Japan Post Bank.

The nation's M3 money stock aggregate increased 2.1 percent on year in the recording month, following a 2.0 percent rise logged in July, the BOJ said.

The balance of M3, which includes currency in circulation, deposit money, so-called "quasi" money and CDs, averaged 1,079.4 trillion yen (12.88 trillion yen), the central bank said.

Xinhua



A money trader works at a dealing room at a foreign exchange firm where the US dollar was being traded at 83.64 yen, in Tokyo, on Wednesday, on 8 Sept, 2010. Japan's benchmark Nikkei 225 stock index dropped 181.61 points, or 2.0 percent, to 9,044.39 to close the morning session.

INTERNET

Death toll rises to 23 in suicide blast in NW Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 8 Sept—The Tuesday night suicide bomb blast killed 23 people, injured over 80 others and destroyed at least 25 living quarters in a police residential area in the city of Kohat in Pakistan's northwest Province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

Dozens of people are reportedly trapped under the rubble of the damaged buildings after an estimated 400 kilograms of explosives

were detonated, said local police officers.

According to *Xinhua* reporter and the local media reports, an unidentified suicide bomber rammed an explosive-laden rickshaw at one of the buildings inside a police residential area, causing huge damage to many buildings including a nearby local TV station.

Police have cordoned off the blast area and rescue team has

arrived at the scene shortly after the blast, said an eyewitness.

All the injured people are police and their family members including many women and kids, hospital sources said adding at least five of the injured are in critical condition.

No group has claimed responsibility for the blast yet. This is the fourth deadly suicide bomb blast in Pakistan this month.—*Xinhua*



A man injured in a car bomb attack in Kohat, Pakistan's northwest Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa Province is treated at Lady Reading Hospital in Peshawar on 7 Sept, 2010.—XINHUA

Refinery explosion kills six in northern Mexico

MEXICO CITY, 8 Sept—An explosion at a refinery of the state oil company Pemex killed six people in northern Mexico on Tuesday, local media reported.

The blast occurred about 9:40 am local time in Cadereyta, according to the reports, some of which also put the death toll at seven. The refinery serves the northern Mexican state of Nuevo Leon. The explosion was clearly heard throughout the city of Cadereyta, Guillermo de Leon Delgado, commander of civil protection in the nearby city of Monterrey, told *Xinhua* by telephone. "After the explosion people rang us and began asking what happened," de Leon said. He added that refinery managers had requested six municipal ambulances, which were used to transfer injured people to a hospital run by Petroleos Mexicanos (Pemex), the

only firm allowed to refine fuel in the country. He said he could not confirm the number of casualties as Pemex civil protection staff were dealing with the incident. He explained that this is the usual procedure and Pemex emergency crews usually only call for additional help if they are overwhelmed.—*Xinhua*



A freshly popped bag of microwave popcorn. Exposure to chemicals used to make non-stick cookware and which are found in microwave popcorn may raise blood cholesterol levels in children, a study published says.—INTERNET

Ticket price rises for old city in Shanxi's old city

BEIJING, 8 Sep — Tickets to enter the ancient walled city of Pingyao in north China's Shanxi Province will be increased to 125 yuan (US\$18) from 100 yuan (US\$15) in six months with a 20-percent price fluctuation for low and peak tourist seasons.

The Price Bureau in Shanxi Province approved the plan last week. Under the new price scheme, the valid dates of the tickets have been extended from two to three days. No additional charges will be levied once visitors are inside the walled city. Additional proceeds from the ticket sales will be used for cultural preservation in

the walled city, the report said. Under the new pricing policy, students and senior citizens under 70 will receive a 50-percent discount on tickets when they show valid IDs, while children, the disabled, army officers, disabled former soldiers and seniors who are 70 or older will be able to enter the walled old town free of charge.

Pingyao's ancient walled city has plenty of well-preserved cultural relics representing Shanxi's prosperous past during the Ming (1368-1644) and Qing (1644-1911) dynasties. It was added to the World Cultural Heritage List in 1997.

Xinhua

Pingyao's ancient walled city has plenty of well-preserved cultural relics representing Shanxi's prosperous past during the Ming (1368-1644) and Qing (1644-1911) dynasties. INTERNET



Russia to test launch Bulava missile on 9-11 Sept

MOSCOW, 8 Sept—Russian State Commission has decided to test launch sea-based *Bulava* strategic missile on 9-11 Sept, the *Interfax* news agency reported on Tuesday. "A government commission made this decision at a meeting yesterday," the agency quoted a source from the Russian space rocket industry as saying.

The commission said the rocket and the crew of the Dmitry Donskoi, a *Akula* (Typhoon) class submarine, were prepared for the test launch. The test was expected to start in August, but had been postponed as those involved to carry out the tests joined the fight against wild fires in Central Russia. *Bulava*, designed as a principal Russian strategic missile for sea deployment, has been test launched for six years. So far, only five out of its 12 tests were successful. With a range of 8,000 km, *Bulava* carries multiple warheads with a yield of 150 kilotons each.—*Xinhua*



Structural inspectors check the condition of a building in Christchurch. A record number of babies were born in the aftermath of the powerful 7.0 earthquake that rocked New Zealand this weekend, hospital officials said on Monday.—INTERNET

Moderate quake hits China, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan border

BEIJING, 8 Sept—A magnitude-5.6 earthquake hits the border between China, Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan Tuesday night, according to the national seismological network of China.

The quake struck at 11:41 pm with its epicenter located at 39.5 degrees north latitude and 73.8 degrees east longitude, and at a depth of seven kilometres.

Xinhua

6.2-magnitude earthquake hits Fiji region

HONG KONG, 8 Sept—A 6.2-magnitude quake occurred in Fiji Region at 1613 GMT on Tuesday, according to the US Geological Survey. The epicenter of quake was 145 kilometres northeast of Lambasa, Fiji at depth of 10 km.—*Xinhua*

Earthquake hits southern Turkey

BODRUM, 8 Sept—An earthquake struck Turkey's Aegean region on Tuesday, strong enough to knock out electricity in the southwestern coastal city of Bodrum, but phone lines remained intact. Currently, no building damage is known.

Xinhua

Talks on Myanmar and ASEAN on 11 Sept

YANGON, 8 Sept—Under the arrangements of Myanmar Fishery Federation and Myanmar Prawn Entrepreneurs Association and sponsored by Ever Flow River Group of Companies, talks on Myanmar and ASEAN will be given by U Kyaw Tint Swe (Retd) of Myanmar ambassador to the UN will give at Thiriannawa Hall of MFF on Bayintnaung Road in Insein Township here at 2 pm on 11 September. Interested persons may attend the talk.—MNA

MM organic fertilizer on market



YANGON, 8 Sept — MM Science Organic Fertilizer has come on the market, giving a

guarantee of boosting and no soil degradation. The new natural fertilizer produced by a group of

Russian space scientists has promised that it can be able to boost the crop production from 30 to 40 per cent.

Myanmar Tagaung Trading Co Ltd has invited customers and sale agents to contact the company at No. 8, H, Mindhamma Road, Mayangon Township, Yangon, Ph: 01 662266; 665526; 661800; 503937; 09 2044003; 09 5280635; 09 5280693; 09 6710218; 085-50223; 02 71729.

MNA

Regional development tasks inspected in Sagaing District



Commander Brig-Gen Soe Lwin inspects Hsintat river water pumping project.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Sept—Chairman of Sagaing Region Peace and Development Council Commander of North-West Command Brig-Gen Soe Lwin met servicemen and family members at the hall of the local battalion in Sagaing on 6 September.

At Sagaing People's Hospital, he comforted the patients.

The commander looked into progress of No. 3 inter-district road and gave necessary instructions to

officials.

He visited Sagaing Cotton Farm and Ohndaw Power Station.

Next, the commander heard reports on progress of Sagaing-Monywa-Shwebo Road presented by officials.

The commander viewed supply of water at Hsintat River Water Pumping Project and thriving monsoon paddy plantations.

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Bagan rain brings...

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In an interview, NyaungU District PDC Chairman U Yan Lin Aung explained cultivation of monsoon and summer paddy in the locality where only tobacco and oil crops were grown in the past, thanks to the implementation of hydropower river water pumping stations; improving incomes of local people; food and oil sufficiency; and construction of Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku) which will link the area with those on the west bank of the Ayeyawady.

U Thura Tun Lin, NyaungU Township PDC Chairman, talked about tapping potable water in rural areas, sinking artesian wells, making the region a plastic free zone and conserving forests in an interview at his office.

When I was gazing at green paddy fields on my way to Letpanchepaw River Water Pumping Station, Deputy Director U Maung Maung Lwin of NyaungU Township Water Resources Utilization Department said, "These fields are irrigation area of Kyaukku River Water Pumping Station. The region hasn't seen a paddy plantation before the implementation of river water pumping station. Now it is able to cultivate monsoon and summer paddy as the irrigation water is available in all seasons."



Letpanchepaw River Water Pumping Station.

The farmlands had to be fertilized to grow paddy because they were sandy ones in the absence of paddy cultivation previously.

Some villages in the region had struggled for drinking water and had depended upon Ayeyawady River for potable water. The ponds implemented on either sides of motor road to which the water is supplied through canals of the river water pumping station help the residents overcome their drinking water scarcity.

The Letpanchepaw River Water Pumping Station—one of five river water pumping stations in NyaungU District—irrigates 1500 acres of farmlands. All stations, which irrigate 29700 acres of farmlands in total, make the best use of Ayeyawady River water as a priceless resource.

I picked up the chance to observe the construction site of Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku) project. It is encouraging to see the on-going construction of the bridge despite the rising water. The 47.78 per cent of the project which started on 15 December 2009 was completed in early August. The scene of piles emerging from the Ayeyawady is catching every one's attention. After the installation of steel girders, the view of the project will become more attractive.

Together with Staff Officer U Zaw Win of Township Forest Department, I visited forest conservation project of local people of Gabani (Red Bank), a village located by NyaungU-Myingyan motorway. The 75-acre firewood plantation was established in 2009-2010 fiscal year.

"Rural people took little interest in establishment of forest. Firewood was near at hand in the past but not now," U Zaw Win said. He also added that local residents will have to take responsibility of the local people-owned forest in the future after the management of the Forest Department is over.

I also observed the water supplying centre of NyaungU Township Development Affairs



Construction of Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku) which will become the longest bridge in Myanmar seen on Letpanchepaw Bank.

Committee. Its main water pumping station is situated on Natthamee Bank of the Ayeyawady River. Water is stored in 810,000-gallon tank at Hngetpyittaung re-pumping station and supplied through three pipelines 24 hours a day. It is the longest water supply system in Myanmar as it reaches to 60 miles stretch of rural areas.

With the help of Bridge Asia Japan (BAJ), artesian wells were sunk and 5000-gallon ponds dug for the areas which had to face water shortage in summer. A total of 225 artesian wells have been sunk and plans to dig more are under way.

While I passed the arch reading "Bagan Archaeological Region", it was almost dark and the night lights came on. Because of the rainfalls, it is sure the oil crops plantations will exceed the target. Although I got wet in Bagan rain as I left the umbrella at home, I was thanking rain for it will improve the economic status of local farmers by helping them generate more income. It is the rain of prosperity.

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PM: the drive for building a modern...

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The ceremony was formally opened by a song of students from Nay Pyi Taw No. 11 BEHS.

In his address, the Prime Minister said that, at the time when the government is striving for emergence of peaceful, modern and developed nation with the help of own national strength of all citizens, it is required not only to improve modern science and technologies in all sectors to be able to gear up the national development tasks and to turn out highly qualified intelligent and intelligent-sia but also to place em-

widespread literacy programmes coverage across the globe. As a member of the United Nations, the Union of Myanmar observes the International Literacy Day yearly.

In 2010, two in every three of the world's 759 million illiterate adults are women. So the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization organized the World Conference on Education for All in Jomtien, Thailand in 1990 and World Education Forum in Dakar, Senegal in 2010 separately with the goal of reducing



Prime Minister U Thein Sein views Myanmar literacy activities booth at International Literacy Day 2010 Exhibition.—MNA



Prime Minister U Thein Sein cordially greets those present at ceremony to observe International Literacy Day 2010.—MNA

phasis on basic literacy programmes for every citizen to be able to acquire knowledge on every subject.

Designated in 1966 by the United Nations, International Literacy Day is celebrated on 8 September yearly with the aim of ensuring

the adult illiteracy rate. The General Assembly of the United Nations designated the decade from 2003 to 2012 as United Nations Literacy Decade that highlights literacy programme to gain higher momentum.

As to literacy of Myanmar, till 1886

Myanmar stood tall with own monarchs with literacy rate as high as 85 per cent. During the colonial period, literacy rate dropped under the colonial education. After independence in 1948, literacy rate dropped to 35 per cent. As public education courses and three Rs courses, education programme for creation of new life and monastic education programme were introduced by the government since Myanmar regained her independence, literacy rate increased to 57 per cent in 1963.

As part of its programme to promote literacy, three-Rs campaign was started in Meiktila District in 1964. Under the leadership of Myanmar Central

Literacy Committee, Literacy Programme has been extended annually. Within the period from 1969 to 1983, Literacy Day was celebrated in Mandalay, Yangon, Magway, Bago and Ayeyawady Regions and Mon State. Due to literacy campaign, Myanmar won two prizes awarded by UNESCO—Mohammad Reza Pahlavi Prize in 1971 and the Noma Prize in 1983.

Nowadays, the government is making endeavours for uplifting health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation as a national goal to develop our country and nationalities and to keep abreast with the global community.

Upholding the motto "Build modern developed nation through education", Formal and Non-Formal Education programmes are being implemented systematically in line with changing education concepts so as to promote education standards of the every citizen. With respect to development of education sector, one can see the development of Formal Education and Non-Formal Education sectors harmoniously.

Learning system has emerged not only in the class rooms but in any where. And it has developed in parallel with the development of every citizen, regions and the country.

With respect to school education, a mass activity campaign was launched in

pursuit of the goal of ensuring every school-age child has access to and completes school education. As a result, the school enrolment rate of children over five years increased to 98.37 per cent in 2010-2011 Academic Year. In order to expedite the drive, 28,897 primary schools, 6651 post-primary schools, 3022 basic education middle schools and 2305 basic education high schools, totaling 40,875

schools are running the same academic year.

In addition, mobile schools are opened for children of the parents with mobile occupations, and non-formal primary education programmes are ongoing for those who have completed "Three Rs course", and those who have left schools for various seasons. In like manner, inclusive education programmes are being implemented for disabled children.

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Prime Minister U Thein Sein awards a prize winner.

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YUFL Rector
Dr Myo Myint.
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Acting Resident
Coordinator Dr Shin
Imai.—MNA

PM: the drive for building a modern...

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At the same time, basic literacy programmes and continuing education programmes are underway for those people who did not go to school in their youth for various reasons.

This year, 21,261 Three R's courses were conducted across the nation with 41,293 course instructors under the leadership of the Ministry of Education, appropriate projects laid down by states and regions, and contributions made by local administrative bodies, education staff, social organizations and local people. Due to the courses, 925,806 illiterates became literate, 175,861

cent, thus enabling Myanmar to stand as one of the high literacy countries in Asian and Pacific region.

As for the people, high literacy rate is, indeed, something to be proud of, and it indicates to high capability the participants exerted in the national interest, as well as high socio-economic status of the people.

Continuing education programme covering post-literacy programme, income generation programme and better life programme is in progress. In order to put into reality non-formal education programmes, 2700 community learning centres have

Information make significant contribution to community learning centres.

The Prime Minister called for accelerating literacy campaigns and continuing education programmes in line with the motto "Literacy and Empowerment" and the theme for 2010 "The Power of Women's Literacy".

In conclusion, he urged those responsible to strive with a sense of patriotic spirit, nationalistic fervour, the spirit of national solidarity, and Union Spirit to accomplish the tasks to ensure all citizens are literate ones and promote the education standard of the people; to transform the Myanmar society into a

Prime Minister U Thein Sein presents third prize to Daw Khin Wut Yi (Wutyi Khin-Bago) in open article contest to mark International Literacy Day 2010.
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Students of No. 1 Basic Education High School in Pyinmana Township sings the song entitled "Nationalist Spirit" at ceremony to mark International Literacy Day 2010.—MNA

of whom were residents in border areas. Due to the combined efforts of the government and the people, the adult literacy rate has touched 94.95 per

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constant learning society; and to ensure sustainable progress in literacy campaigns because the drive for building a modern developed nation will come true only if every citizen is literate.

Coordinator Dr Shin Imai read out the United Nations Secretary-General's Message on International Literacy Day 2010.

General Secretary of Myanmar UNESCO National Commission Rector of Yangon Uni-

versity of Foreign Languages Dr Myo Myint read out the UNESCO Director-General's Message on International Literacy Day 2010.

Students of Basic Education High School No (1) of Pyinmana Township in Nay Pyi Taw District performed a song.

The Prime Minister awarded prize winners of article contest (open) and Education Institute and Collage level contest.

Nay Pyi Taw Command Commander Brig-Gen Maung Maung Aye presented prizes to winners of Basic Education High School level essay contest and Education Minister Dr Chan Nyein to winners of Basic Education Middle School level poster

contest.

Documentary video on Myanmar literacy activities were presented.

The ceremony came to an end after students from Yezin Basic Education High School of Pyinmana Township in Nay Pyi Taw District had performed the song, "Education for All".

Prime Minister U Thein Sein cordially greeted ambassadors, resident representatives of UN organizations, award winners and guests.

The Prime Minister and party and guests viewed documentary photos on Myanmar literacy movements at International Literacy Day 2010 Exhibition.

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C-in-C (Air)'s Shield Volleyball Tournery commences

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Sept—The Commander-in-Chief (Air)'s Shield Volleyball Tournament kicked off at the hall of Flying Training Base in Meiktila on 6 September morning.

It was attended by the commanders of Flying Training Base and Ground Training Base, officers, other ranks and guests.

On behalf of the Commander-in-Chief (Air), the commander of Flying Training Base delivered an opening address and watched the participation of the contending teams.—MNA



Commander of Flying Training Base, on behalf of the Commander-in-Chief (Air), speaking at opening of Commander-in-Chief (Air)'s Shield Volleyball Tournament.

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92 structures destroyed in Colo fire



A line of buses are destroyed after a wild fire passed through Gold Hill, Colo on 7 Sept, 2010.

INTERNET

BOULDER, 8 Sept—David Myers knew it was time to leave when he looked out into the forest and spotted bright red flames towering skyward. Then came a blinding cloud of smoke and a deafening roar as the fire ripped through the wilderness.

"You can hear just this consumption of fuel, just crackling and burning. And the hardest thing is you couldn't see it because at the point the smoke was that thick," he said.

Myers was among about 3,500 people who desperately fled the fire after it erupted in a tinder-dry canyon

northwest of Boulder on Monday and swallowed up dozens of homes. Residents packed everything they could into their cars and sped down narrow, winding roads to safety, encountering a vicious firestorm that melted the bumper of one couple's van.

Myers said Tuesday afternoon that people told him they believed his house was destroyed. He said while he's sure he will experience "a varied level of emotions" about losing it, he remembers how he felt when fleeing the wildfire.

"All that really matters to us was my wife and I getting each other, getting the dogs, and getting out of there," Myers said. "We grabbed a couple of things, but when we look around, and we go, 'What should I take?' it all seems pretty irrelevant."

Authorities said Tuesday night they counted 92 structures that have been destroyed and another eight that have been damaged. A government website listed the addresses of 53 homes destroyed based on a survey of only 5 to 10 percent of the burned area.

Xinhua

Tropical storm cuts off electricity, water supply in NE Mexico

MEXICO CITY, 8 Sept—The tropical storm Hermine has cut off electricity and water supply in northeast Mexico, the director of Tamaulipas' Civil Protection Salvador

Tevino said on Tuesday. However, industrial and trading activities in Tamaulipas were not interrupted despite the electricity and water cutoff. There was not any damages to highways and rural

roads, said Tevino at a press conference.

About 2,300 people were evacuated from Matamoros and the municipalities of Soto La Marina and Aldama because of the pouring rains and winds with the speed of 100 kilometres per hour,

Hermine caused floods in 115 districts of Matamoros. The energy supply service was suspended in 80 percent

areas of Matamoros because many trees and electricity equipment fell in the rain. The workers of the Electricity Federal Commission (CFE) are working to restore the service. Meanwhile, the chief of Matamoros' naval zone, Alejandro Salomon Velmar told reporters that a ship with three people aboard was reported missing after Hermine made landfall.

Xinhua



A firefighter tries to extinguish a forest fire near Valencia, on 7 September, 2010. The wildfires have ravaged some 2,000 hectares of land in Spain's eastern Valencia Region, regional authorities said.—XINHUA

Three civilians killed in Mogadishu fighting

MOGADISHU, 8 Sept— Three civilians were killed in fightings between Somalia's militants and the African Union (AU) backed government forces in the Horn of Africa nation's capital Mogadishu, media reports quoted medical

sources as saying on Tuesday.

The group of Al Shabaab last week declared an all-out war against the Somali government forces and AU peacekeeping troops based in Mogadishu and the groups have since been launching relentless

attacks on targets of the government and AU forces.

In July Al Shabaab claimed responsibility for a deadly suicide attacks against people watching on television the football World Cup finals in Kampala.

Xinhua

Oil falls below \$74 on EU bank debt worries

SINGAPORE, 8 Sept—Oil prices skidded below \$74 a barrel Wednesday in Asia as crude traders followed regional stocks down on reports European banks may be saddled with more debt than previously estimated.

Benchmark oil for October delivery was down 37 cents at \$73.72 a barrel at midday Singapore time in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The contract fell 51 cents to settle at \$74.09 on Tuesday.

Most major Asian

stock markets fell Wednesday and the Dow Jones industrial average stumbled 1 percent Tuesday after reports that EU stress tests of 91 banks in July understated some lenders' holdings of potentially risky debt. Germany's top 10 banks will have to raise as much as \$135 billion to meet new capital requirements, reports said.

Oil traders often look to equities as a barometer of overall investor sentiment.

Some analysts are concerned that slowing

US economic growth in the second half could undermine crude demand. Bank of America Merrill Lynch expects crude to average \$78 a barrel in the second half and \$85 next year.

"Following robust increases in oil demand over the past 12 months on a stimulus-driven rebound, we now see some downside risk as slower growth sets in and developed countries' oil inventories remain high," B of A said in a report.

Internet

Relatives of victims cry in front of the crime scene in San Pedro Sula, Honduras, on 7 Sept, 2010. A group of gunmen shot dead at least 15 people Tuesday in a small shoe factory in San Pedro Sula City, northern Honduras, police said.—XINHUA



At least 15 people die in Honduran shoe factory shooting rampage

TEGUCIGALPA, 8 Sept—A group of gunmen shot dead at least 15 people Tuesday in a small shoe factory in San Pedro Sula City, northern Honduras, police said.

San Pedro Sula's police chief Hector Ivan Mejia, quoted by local media, said that policemen were working to clarify this massacre as soon as possible.

Four men aboard a gray SUV thrust into the shoe factory located in Cabana District and shot at workers with AK-47 fusils, killing 13 people on the spot and injuring six others, he said. Two of the injured died in the hospital.

When the rampage happened, there were between 20 and 25 people working inside the factory, most of them young people ages 17 to 25, Mejia said.—Xinhua



A waiter serves with chocolate fondue at a chocolate shop in central Geneva, Switzerland, on 7 Sept, 2010. Dipping skewered pieces of fruit, cake, or cookies into a pot of warm chocolate sauce becomes quite a draw to locals and tourists as the weather turns cold.

XINHUA



No bomb found on Thai passenger plane

LOS ANGELES, 8 Sept—A bombsquad found no evidence of an explosive or bomb on board a Thai passenger plane which received written terror threats, the FBI said early Wednesday.

Thai Airways Flight 794 landed at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) Tuesday night after written threats which said there was a bomb on board were found in a lavatory, according to the FBI.

The flight from Bangkok landed at LAX at 8:45 p.m. and was taken to a remote part of the airport, said Laura Eimiller of FBI.

About 200 passengers and crew were taken off the plane and were interviewed, Eimiller said.

All baggage has been X-rayed and

most of the passenger and cargo areas inside the aircraft have been inspected, but no evidence of an explosive or bomb was found, Eimiller said.

Law enforcement and airport officials were notified at 7:15 pm of an alleged threat on board the aircraft, which was scheduled to land at 8:44 pm, said Sgt. Belinda Nettles of LAX Police Department.

Eighteen fire trucks and fire engines were placed on standby at the airport where the aircraft was expected to land, said Devin Gales of the Los Angeles Fire Department.

An investigation was underway to ascertain the person or group responsible for making the threat, Nettles said.

Xinhua



Thai Airways Flight 794 passengers smile after they get their luggage in the Tom Bradley International Terminal at Los Angeles International Airport late on 7 Sept, 2010, in Los Angeles, Calif. —XINHUA

Plane crashes in Malaysia, one killed, one injured

KULAI, 8 Sept—A training aeroplane from a flying institute in the state of Johore, southern Peninsula Malaysia, crashed here on Tuesday, killing the female trainee and injuring the male instructor. The incident took place Tuesday morning at about 9.30 am near an oil palm plantation in Kulai, northern part of Johor Bahru, state capital of the Johore State.

It was learnt that the female victim was burnt to death, while the injured instructor had been rushed to a nearby hospital for treatment. The cause of the incident is under investigation.

According to the coordinator of the Malaysian Fire and Rescue Team, the weather was fine on Tuesday morning when the plane crashed.

Quoting a witness, the coordinator said the plane was seen hovering in the air for a few minutes before crashing into a oil palm tree on the ground. A loud explosion was heard immediately after the crash, added the coordinator.—Xinhua

Bus accident kills at least 10 in Haiti

SANTO DOMINGO, 8 Sept—At least 10 people died and 17 others were injured in a bus accident on the Haitian border with the Dominican Republic, official sources said on Tuesday.

According to official information from Port-au-Prince, the bus, with about 60 Haitians on board, fell off a cliff in Perreus en Lomonase, some 35 kilometres from the northern border with the Dominican Republic. People on the bus were merchants who came back from a binational market in Dajabon Province of Haiti, some 300 kilometres north of Santo Domingo. The bus driver was trying to avoid a motorbike in the middle of the road before the accident happened. Authorities told the press the causes of the accident were under investigation.

Xinhua

Finnish economy shows 1.9-pct growth in quarter



A general view of Vuosaari docks in Helsinki. The Finnish economy, after several quarters of little or no growth, firmed sharply by 1.9 percent in the second quarter from output in the previous quarter, official data showed on Wednesday.—

INTERNET

HELSINKI, 8 Sept— The Finnish economy, after several quarters of little or no growth, firmed sharply by 1.9 percent in the second quarter from output in

the previous quarter, official data showed on Wednesday.

The data from statistics agency Statistics Finland also showed that on a 12-month comparison, the economy grew by 3.7 percent.

Statistics Finland also revised sharply upwards its data for gross domestic product for the first quarter from contraction of 0.4 percent to growth of 0.1 percent.

This revised data means that Finland had not fallen back into recession at the beginning of the year as previously indicated.

The chief economist of Danske Bank-owned Sampo Bank, Lauri Uotila, said that monthly indicators for exports and employment had already hinted at a big boost to second-quarter GDP growth.

“Industrial output has increased dramatically this year, exports and sales have climbed, more housing is being built, and employment has crept up almost every month,” Uotila said.

Internet

Cuba to open nanotechnology centre

HAVANA, 8 Sept—Cuba is to open a nanotechnology centre for Latin American scientists, nuclear physicist Fidel Castro Diaz-Balart said on Tuesday. The facility, known as “Centre for Advanced Studies” (CAEC), would be the top national institution focusing on the nanotechnology researches in Latin America, he told a hi-tech meeting.

Cuba is ready to operate the first stage of the CAEC at the end of this year, said Diaz-Balart, the eldest son of former top Cuban leader Fidel Castro who also serves as the scientific advisor for the Council of State. He said Cuba spends 1.21 percent of its GDP in scientific research, but “it isn’t for fame but for the people’s welfare.”

“We have 53 centres for biomedicine studies, with 3,000 scientists working on new medicines development,” he added. The meeting, or the Third International Seminar on Nanoscience and Technology, has drawn over 70 scientists worldwide.—Xinhua

Russian plane lands safely after systems failure

MOSCOW, 8 Sept—The crew of a TU-154 passenger plane with 81 people aboard managed to safely land the aircraft after all of its systems failed, Prime-Tass news agency reported Tuesday.

The Alrosa airline plane, which was carrying 72 passengers and nine crew members, was enroute from the Siberian City of Polyarny to Moscow when its power supply, fuel pumps, radio link and navigation equipment failed simultaneously. The plane glided down from an altitude of 10,600 metres with no engines working and landed in heavy fog at Izhma. A defunct airfield designed for helicopters and smaller planes. The plane overran the runway by 200 meters and slid into a nearby forest but no passengers were hurt during the rough “miracle” landing, as the crew called it. The plane also remained intact. The mishap was the fourth involving aircraft in Russia in the past week.—Xinhua

Photo taken on 31 Aug, 2010 shows the landscape light along Haihe River in north China's Tianjin. To celebrate the coming Summer Davos Forum, Tianjin accomplished 35 sets of landscape lights to embrace guests from home and abroad.—XINHUA



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Word War II mass grave found in Slovenia

LONDON, 8 Sept—A mass grave from the end of World War II has been discovered in Slovenia.

The 20m-long pit near the town of Prevalje is believed to contain the remains of up to 700 men

and women, said government official Marko Strovs.

Some of the people buried in the grave appear to have been shot, others seem to have been hacked to death, he added.

Researchers believe the victims might have been suspected Nazi collaborators killed by communist-backed anti-fascists. The victims' shoes show that at least some of them were civilians, said Mr Strovs, who works for the government commission for exhuming mass graves.

Initial findings indicate that their hands were tied behind their backs.

Internet



'Youngest' female double murderer jailed

LONDON, 8 Sept—A girl thought to be Britain's youngest female double murderer has been jailed for life.

Lorraine Thorpe, now 16, of Clapgate Lane in Ipswich, was found guilty in August of murdering her father Desmond Thorpe and a woman called Rosalyn Hunt.

Thorpe, 15 when the murder took place in 2009, was told at the Old Bailey she would serve at least 14 years. Paul Clarke, 41, also convicted of two murders at Ipswich Crown Court, was sentenced at an earlier hearing. Clarke, of Mountbatten Court, was also jailed for life and told he must serve a minimum of 27 years. Mr Justice



Lorraine Thorpe was 15 years old when the killings took place.

INTERNET

Saunders said Thorpe could be "manipulative" and was not acting entirely under Clarke's control, adding: "She found violence funny and entertaining." The bodies of Ms Hunt and Mr Thorpe were found at separate addresses in Ipswich in August 2009.

Both Clarke and Thorpe had denied the charges and gave no evidence during their trial.

Internet



Sometimes you just want to punch someone.—INTERNET

Study shows ME/CFS 'virus link' found in children

LONDON, 8 Sept—A study on children has found further evidence that ME, or Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, could be caused by a virus.

Scientists at the University of Dundee study found abnormalities in the white blood cells of children with ME/CFS, suggesting they had been fighting off infection. ME (Myalgic Encephalomyelitis), also known as Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (CFS), causes debilitating tiredness.

Internet

Vladimir Putin considers Russia presidency bid

LONDON, 8 Sept—Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin says he has not ruled out standing for president again at the 2012 elections.

Mr Putin said he would share power with current President Dmitry Medvedev until the election, when they would decide "what would be best for Russia".

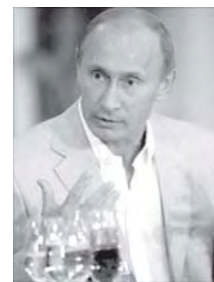
Mr Putin has previously served two terms as president.

Speaking in the Black Sea resort of Sochi, he drew a comparison with US President Franklin Roosevelt, who was elected four times in a row. Steve Rosenberg said Mr Putin looked re-

laxed as he fielded questions on a range of issues from a select group of foreign journalists and academics.

He said he was in no rush to see the body of Soviet leader Vladimir Lenin removed from its mausoleum in Red Square.

Internet



Vladimir Putin looked relaxed as he fielded questions at a Black Sea resort.—INTERNET

Farms, roads and caravan park flooded in Fermanagh

LONDON, 8 Sept—A number of properties have been flooded in County Fermanagh after the Colebrooke River burst its banks near Lisnaskea.

Farms and roads in the Ballindarragh area have been affected, and part of a caravan park is underwater.

Farmer Barry Read said the water rose rapidly on Tuesday morning after three inches of rain fell in

36 hours. Mr Read's grain store is underwater and agricultural machinery has been damaged causing an estimated £30,000 of damage.

The farmer blamed debris at the mouth of the river which is blocking the flow of water.

He said the Rivers Agency should do more to maintain it so that it can cope with extreme weather. A Department of Agriculture and Rural Development spokesperson said: "The Colebrooke River was inspected yesterday during the heavy rainfall when water levels were rising and was found to be running freely and discharging into Upper Lough Erne."

Internet

Part of a caravan park is underwater after the Colebrooke River burst its banks.

INTERNET



Vietnam, Japan cooperate to intensify public management

HANOI, 8 Sept—Vietnam and Japan held a seminar here Tuesday to discuss and share experiences in enhancement of public management.

The seminar was jointly organized by the Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences and Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), attracting Japanese experts and

Vietnamese managers and researchers.

At the meeting, participants discussed national management in the context of globalization, international cooperation in public management, and modernization of public finance and investment.

They agreed that to ensure transparency and fairness in public investment, countries

should hold fair bidding and encourage the involvement of private sector and citizens in drafting the plan to implement public works.

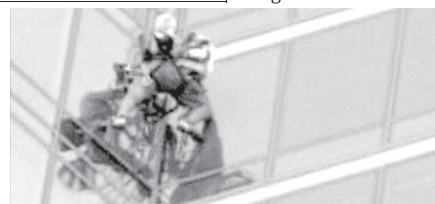
Yoshiharu Tsuboi, a JICA senior expert said that the establishment of a strong government would create foundation for the development of the industry.

Xinhua

Man climbs skyscraper with suction cups

LONDON, 8 Sept—A man has climbed up a 58-storey skyscraper in San Francisco using suction cups. Dan Goodwin ignored orders to stop climbing the Millennium Tower and was too high to reach by the time firefighters arrived at the building.

He reached the top after three hours and unfurled a US flag before being arrested.—Internet



A man has climbed up a 58-storey skyscraper.

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Giant hay bale kills former ELO cellist

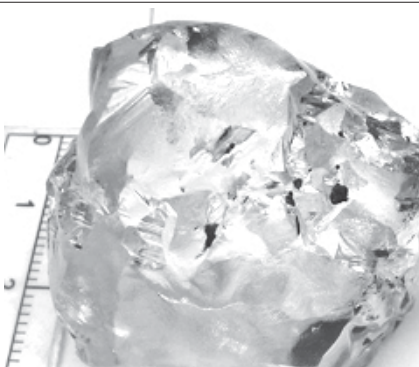
A giant bale of hay has killed a founding member of the Electric Light Orchestra (ELO) band after it tumbled down a hill and crashed into his van.

Celist Mike Edwards, 62, died after the 600 kg (1,323 lb) bale rolled down a steep field in Devon, southern England, smashed through a hedge and careered on to the road.

He died instantly in the freak accident on Friday afternoon.

Police said they used photographs and YouTube footage to identify Edwards and are investigating whether the bale may have fallen from a tractor working on farmland near the road.

Edwards, who played with the band between 1972 and 1975, is believed to have swerved into another vehicle as the bale crushed his cab.



World's 'smallest' man gets a taste of Big Apple, blondes



Khagendra Thapa Magar, the world's smallest teen, is held next to a life-sized figure of Robert Wadlow, the world's tallest man ever, to mark his introduction into "Ripley's Believe It or Not" latest book during a photo shoot on Times Square in New York.

A Nepalese teenager set to be declared the planet's smallest person got big star treatment Tuesday on a tour of New York.

Crowds at Times Square jostled for a glimpse of Khagendra Thapa Magar who at 17 is the size of a baby and has stopped growing.

The Nepalese teen was making his first visit to New York as part of a publicity trip organized by the freak-show museum Ripley's Believe It or Not!

Wearing a white shirt and doll-sized pin-striped

gray jacket, Magar smiled shyly, blinking at rows of cameras and the vast neon billboards lining Times Square.

Belgian burns fingers setting world chip-making record

A Belgian maker of French fries, the country's proud national dish, has set a new world record for non-stop chip-making after frying mountains of potato strips for 83 consecutive hours.

The record by 53-year-old Chris Verschueren, owner of a French fries business, beat by 11 hours a previous record of 72 hours set in 1987 by a Briton chip chef. "My fingers are burnt, my feet are sore and my wrist is painful," he said.

"But it doesn't matter, I'm going to party now."

From the time he turned on the heat Friday

People queue up to have French fries in 2006, on the opening day of the 7th "Week of the French Fries" in Antwerp, Belgium. A Belgian maker of French fries, the country's proud national dish, has set a new world record for non-stop chip-making after frying mountains of potato strips for 83 consecutive hours.



morning in his village of Kastel till he ran out of steam Monday night, Verschueren cooked up 1,500 kilos of chips, taking a 100-minute break after 20 hours for a shower and a stretch.

His bid to set a new record for the amount of ships sold — 1,500 bags — failed however.

The new world record-holder embarked on the challenge in order to raise funds for a children's hospital as his own five-year-old has been ill since birth.

News Album

A 196 carat diamond recovered from the Letseng mine in Lesotho is seen in this undated handout photograph released in London on 7 Sept, 2010. Gem Diamonds Ltd said it found an exceptional 196 carat rough white diamond at its 70-percent owned Letseng mine in Lesotho.

Venice film fest fights its corner as crisis bites

VENICE, 8 Sept—A dearth of big Hollywood stars, Venice's notoriously high costs, fierce competition from Toronto — this year's film festival on the Lido is fighting to keep its place on the map as one of cinema's most prestigious events.

The venue itself is a building site, with completion of the long-delayed new Palazzo del Cinema — its main screening theater — now not expected until 2012.

On the waterfront, the legendary Hotel Des Bains where Thomas Mann set his "Death in Venice" classic — and



Actress Natalie Portman poses for photographers during a photocall for the movie "Black Swan" at the 67th Venice Film Festival on 1 Sept, 2010.—INTERNET

Luchino Visconti shot its famous film adaptation — is shut, and work is under way to convert it into luxury apartments. *Reuters*



Visitors walk past a picture of writer Peter Carey at German publisher S Fischer's stand at the Frankfurt Book Fair in 2004. INTERNET

The xx win Britain's Mercury Prize for debut album

LONDON, 8 Sept—Electronic band The xx have scooped prestigious British music award the Mercury Prize for their debut album "xx", beating off stiff competition from a host of top acts.

Judges handed the 20,000-pound (31,000-dollar, 24,000-euro) prize for best album of the past 12 months to the three-piece at a ceremony in central London late Tuesday.

The London-based group, who formed in 2005 after attending the same school and released their debut in August last year, follow in the footsteps of other acts who have won the prize, including Klaxons, Arctic Monkeys and Elbow.—*Internet*

Australian author Carey shortlisted for Booker Prize record

LONDON, 8 Sept—Peter Carey could scoop the Booker Prize for a record third time after the Australian author was named on the shortlist Tuesday for one of the world's most prestigious literary awards.

His novel "Parrot and Olivier in America" is among six books nominated for the prize, with South Africa's Damon Galgut, Ireland's Emma Donoghue and three British authors providing the competition.

"It's been a great privilege and an exciting challenge for us to reduce our longlist of 13 to this shortlist of six outstandingly good novels," said Andrew Motion, Britain's former poet laureate who chairs the judges.—*Internet*



Members of British group "The xx" Romy Madley Croft (centre), Oliver Sim and Jamie Smith (right) pose at the Grosvenor House Hotel in central London ahead of the annual Mercury Prize awards, on 7 September. INTERNET

Chinese director Zhang Yimou poses for photographers at the photocall for the film "San Quiang Pai Jing Qi" (A Woman, A Gun and Noodle Shop) in Berlin on February 2010.—INTERNET

Pusan film festival to offer record number of premieres

SEOUL, 8 Sept—One of Asia's most prestigious film festivals will feature a record number of world premieres when it gets under way next month for a 15th year, organizers said on Tuesday.

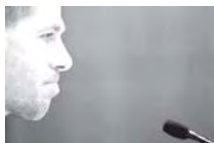
The Pusan International Film Festival, to be held in South Korea's southern city of Busan from 7-15 October, will feature 308 movies from 67 countries.

Organisers said 103 films would have their first public screening at the festival, which focuses on discovering new movies and first-time directors from across Asia.

Internet



Gerrard cool under siege before Switzerland clash



England skipper Steven Gerrard takes part in a press conference in Basel.—INTERNET

BASEL, 8 Sept—England captain Steven Gerrard admits to feeling like a man under siege as he prepares to lead his team into a UEFA Euro 2012 qualifier against Switzerland here on Tuesday desperately trying to keep the focus on football.

The match is potentially the pivotal fixture in

Group G after England beat Bulgaria 4-0 in their opening game and could be the start of a post-World Cup revival for Fabio Capello's side that helps heal the still-smarting wounds of South Africa.

But instead of talking about qualification in the build-up to the crucial fixture both Gerrard and Capello have found themselves distracted by the private life of star striker Wayne Rooney.

The Manchester United man has been the subject of a tabloid newspaper expose that claims he cheated on wife Coleen by sleeping with a prostitute.—INTERNET

Mourinho wants Bayern's 'Schweini', says Bild

BERLIN, 8 Sept — Having already brought two German World Cup stars, Sami Khedira and Mesut Ozil, to Real Madrid, coach Jose Mourinho now has his sights on a third: Bastian Schweinsteiger, *Bild* reported on Tuesday.

Mourinho, who took over at the Santiago Bernabeu this season, made a beeline for the Bayern Munich midfielder after a tribute match to Germany legend Franz Beckenbauer in Germany on 13 August, the daily said.

Shaking the 26-year-old by the hand and looking him in the eye, according to *Bild*, which didn't cite its sources, Mourinho told him: "I

wanted to get you last year, but it didn't happen. "Next year you belong to me."

Schweinsteiger, a key playmaker in Germany's World Cup — Joachim Loew's side lit up the championship with demolition jobs of Australia, England and Argentina, finishing third — could indeed go to Real next year, *Bild* believes.

INTERNET



Bastian Schweinsteiger

Andy Schleck pulls out of Tour of Spain

VILANOVA Y LA GELTRU, 8 Sept—Luxembourg's Andy Schleck, a two-time Tour de France runner-up, and his Saxo Bank teammate Stuart O'Grady have



pulled out of the Tour of Spain, their teams said Tuesday.

The two riders did not take part in Tuesday's 10th stage, a 175.7-kilometre ride from Tarragona to Vilanova i la Geltru in eastern Spain, it said.

Schleck, who had said he was taking part in the

Luxembourg's Andy Schleck (seen here), a two-time Tour de France runner-up.—INTERNET

S P O R T S

Spain's World Cup-winning squad wins sports prize

MADRID, 8 Sept—Spain's World Cup-winning football squad won the prestigious Prince of



Spain's goalkeeper Iker Casillas holds the World Cup trophy after his team defeated the Netherlands.

INTERNET

Asturias prize for sport Tuesday for a victory that "made history", the jury announced.

The team delivered Spain's first ever World Cup win, overcoming the Netherlands 1-0 in the July 11 final with a goal just four minutes before the end of extra time by Barcelona midfielder Andres Iniesta.

Coming on the heels of their Euro 2008 victory, it "has become one of the milestones of Spanish sport internationally," the Prince of Asturias jury said in a statement.

INTERNET

Wozniacki closing in on US Open final

Caroline Wozniacki's demolition of Maria Sharapova to reach the US Open quarter-finals.



INTERNET

NEW YORK, 8 Sept—Caroline Wozniacki's demolition of Maria Sharapova to reach the US Open quarter-finals has blasted a clear passage into Saturday's final for the Danish top seed.

The Russian former champion had been seen as the major threat to the 20-year-old Dane in her half of the draw and she calmly snuffed out that danger with a 6-3, 6-4 fourth round win. The task ahead on Wednesday for the in-form Wozniacki looks relatively straightforward with a match against unseeded Dominika Cibulkova on Wednesday.—INTERNET

Iniesta has seen W Cup goal 'a thousand times'

MADRID, 8 Sept—Barcelona star midfielder Andres Iniesta says he has watched his World Cup-winning goal "a thousand times" on television, but it never feels as good as it did on the pitch. "I watch all my matches many times," the 26-year-old Barcelona playmaker told the *Spanish daily El Pais*.

"It helps me to improve. Also, they repeat it a lot. So whether I like it or not, I have seen the goal a thousand times," said Iniesta, favourite for the 2010 Golden Ball.

"But the sensation on the pitch is unrepeatable," he added. "Watching it is not the same as scoring it." Iniesta swept Spain to a thrilling 1-0 World Cup victory over the Netherlands on 11 July with an unstoppable strike past the goalkeeper from inside the box four minutes from the end of extra-time.

"There is a goal in that final which is personal, very much mine. What bothers me is that I don't score that many goals and now none of the goals I score will be valued as much as that one."—INTERNET

Spain midfielder Andres Iniesta (R) scores past Netherlands' goalkeeper Maarten Stekelenburg.



INTERNET

Japan beat Guatemala 2-1 in football friendly

OSAKA, 8 Sept—Catania striker Takayuki Morimoto scored twice to lead Japan to a 2-1 victory over Guatemala on Tuesday and a second friendly win in four days.

The Japanese, who avenged their loss in the

World Cup by beating Paraguay on Saturday, took a 1-0 lead when defender Yuto Nagatomo sent a cross from the left for Morimoto's header in the 12th minute.

In the 20th minute, CSKA Moscow midfielder Keisuke Honda sent the ball through to Shinji Kagawa, who produced the link pass in the area for Morimoto's second.

"When we played against Paraguay, I also received nice crosses from Yuto, so I was able to hit the ball very well," said Morimoto, who missed out on his hat-trick when he hit wide twice later in the game.

INTERNET



Japan's forward Takayuki Morimoto (R) and Guatemala's forward Johny Giron chase the ball.

INTERNET

Kuyt out for four weeks with shoulder injury

LIVERPOOL, 8 Sept—Liverpool forward Dirk Kuyt faces a four-week injury lay-off after damaging a shoulder on international duty with the Netherlands, the club confirmed on Tuesday.

The 30-year-old Anfield ace suffered the injury during training ahead of Holland's Euro 2012 with Finland and returned to Liverpool's Melwood training base to undergo tests.

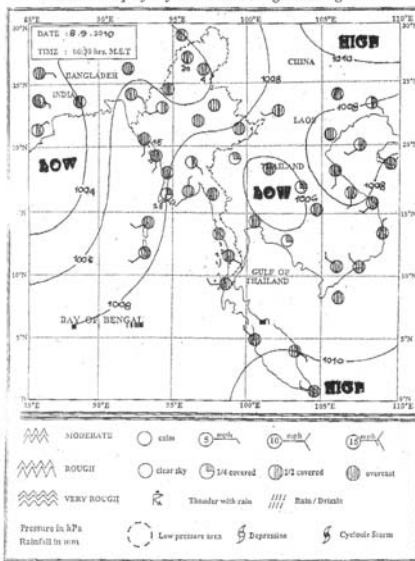
"Dirk has damaged his shoulder at the A-C joint, which is between the collar bone and the shoulder. He is likely to be out for four weeks," club doctor Peter Brukner said in a statement. The injury rules Kuyt out of upcoming Premier League clashes with Birmingham, Manchester United and Sunderland as well as a Europa League tie with his former club FC Utrecht.—INTERNET



Liverpool forward Dirk Kuyt at a training session in Liverpool.—INTERNET



Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



A model displays a diamond ring with an estimated value of 48 - 55 million Hong Kong dollars (6.2 - 7.1 million USD) at Sotheby in south China's Hong Kong, on 8 Sept, 2010.

XINHUA

WEATHER

Wednesday, 8th September, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours rain or thundershowers have been widespread in Chin State and Ayeyawady Region, fairly widespread in Kachin State, scattered in Shan, Rakhine and Mon States and upper Sagaing Region, isolated in Mandalay, Magway, Bago and Yangon Regions and weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining States and Regions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Zalun (1.85) inches, Patheingyi and Katha (0.91) inch each and Hkamti (0.79) inch.

Nay Pyi Taw Weather

Maximum temperature on 7-9-2010 was 97°F. Minimum temperature on 8-9-2010 was 77°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 8-9-2010 was (71%). Rainfall on 8-9-2010 was (Nil).

Yangon (Kaba-Aye)

Maximum temperature on 7-9-2010 was 91°F.

Dr. Nwe Oo Zaw (Pont Pont) Aged 25 (M.B.B.S.)

Dr. Nwe Oo Zaw, only daughter of Major Zaw Win Aung (Director of Settlement and Land Records Department) (Retd) + Daw Oo Oo Mya, grandchild of Dr. U Mya Thauang (Urine and Kidney Surgeon) + (Dr. Daw Khin Thin Yi) living at No 428, Thanlwin Street, Bawdhi Yeiktha in Yangon, niece of Dr. Khin Maung Phyu + Daw Mon Mon Mya, (Colonel Aung Kyaw Hla) + Daw Ei Ei Mya, U Soe Min + Dr. Khine Yi Mya (Temporary Arrival to Singapore), U Aung Kyaw Mya + Daw Cho Hla Myint and (U Win Mya) + Daw Aye Aye Kyaw, elder sister of Ma Aye Mon Khin, Mg Tet Tun Kyaw, Mg Kaung Mon Khin, Mg Set Lu Win Mya, Ma Thin Htet Aung, Mg Phone Pyae Sone, Mg Min Nyi Win Mya, Ma Su Myat Aung and Mg Zwe Htet Aung, younger sister of Ko Chan Nyein Zaw (Temporary Arrival to U.K), passed away at 2.30 am on 8-9-2010 (Wednesday). Funeral service will be held at Yayway Cemetery at 3 pm on 10-9-2010 (Friday).

All buses will leave the home at 1.30 pm on the same day.

Bereaved Family

Minimum temperature on 8-9-2010 was 76°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 8-9-2010 was (69 %). Total sunshine hours on 7-9-2010 was (7.0) hours.

Rainfall on 8-9-2010 was (0.16) inch at Mingaladon, (Nil) at Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (62.60) inches at Mingaladon, (70.28) inches at Kaba-Aye and (79.65) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from South at (15:30) hours MST on 7-9-2010.

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

Forecast valid until afternoon of the 9th September 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be fairly widespread in Kachin and Chin States, isolated in Kayah State, lower Sagaing, Mandalay and Magway Regions, scattered in the remaining States and Regions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Continuation of thundery conditions in the Northern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 9-9-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 9-9-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 9-9-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (9-9-2010) (Thursday)

Transmissions

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

Times

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * "Myanmar's Beauty and Nature" Beach
- * News
- * Artist Myeik Win Htain & Heroes of Myanmar
- * News
- * I love Myanmar
- * News
- * Kyauk Gu Umin Cave Guphaya

Oversea Transmission

- * Opening
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- * Kyauk Gu Umin Cave Guphaya
- * Myanmar Melody on Screen
- * News
- * The land of Silver Mountains (Kayah State)
- * News
- * Exquisite Silver Jewellery
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Ever Green Taunggyi
- * Padaung Village and Elephant Camp
- * News
- * Kambozathadi: Palace of Conquerors
- * Myanmar Movie
- * "Good-Hearted Bad Guy"

Myanmar



Thursday,
9 September
View on today

7:00 am

1. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော်
2. ဘုရားကြီး၏
3. ပရိတ်တရားတော်

7:15 am

2. မြတ်ဂုဏ်တော်သခင်
- (သန်းမြတ်စိုး)
- တေးရေး-မောင်မောင်လတ်

7:25 am

3. To Be Healthy
- Exercise

7:30 am

4. Morning News

7:40 am

5. Nice & Sweet
- Song

7:55 am

6. Song Of National
- Races

8:05 am

7. Dance Variety

8:20 am

8. အဆိုပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:30 am

9. "မီးမီးရဲ့ဆုံးဖြတ်ချက်"

8:40 am

10. International News

8:45 am

11. Musical Programme

3:30 pm

1. Myanmar National
- League MNL Cup
- (2010)
- ဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲထုတ်လွှင့်မှု
- အစီအစဉ်
- (လေ့လာရှုမြေ FC အသင်း
- နှင့် Southern
- Myanmar FC အသင်း)

5:00 pm

2. အမေသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး
- ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ
- ပထမနှစ်(မြန်မာစာအထူးပြု)
- (မြန်မာစာ)

5:15 pm

3. Songs To Uphold
- National Spirit

5:25 pm

4. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

5:30 pm

5. Cute Little Dancers

5:40 pm

6. Musical Programme

5:50 pm

7. "ကိုယ်တိုင်ရေးတဲ့သင်ခန်းစာ"

6:00 pm

8. Evening News

6:15 pm

9. Weather Report

6:20 pm

10. ဖော်ရွှင်စေသောနေ့ရက်များ
- "အချစ်ကော်မီ" (အပိုင်း-၂၂)
- (မြန်မာ့အသံ၊ ညီထွက်)

- နန်းဆရာတော်(ယုဇနဂါလ်မြင့်)
- (ဒါရိုက်တာ-အောင်ကျော်သူရ)

6:40 pm

11. ထူးဆန်းထွေလားများကို
- သိပ်မြင်ချင်ကပ်ခြင်း

7:00 pm

12. "နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ"
- "ဆူးလွမ်းသောချစ်နှင်းဆီ"
- (ဒုတိယတွဲ) (အပိုင်း-၃၂)

8:00 pm

13. News

14. International News

15. Weather Report

16. ထာဝရတို့မြေအလှ

(တေးမာနေဝင်း)

(တေးရေး-ပက်ထရစ်

(မိုးသောက်ပန်း))

17. "နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ"

"ချစ်သူနယ်နိမိတ်"

(အပိုင်း-၁၉)

18. "နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ"

"ချစ်တေးသံသာ"

(အပိုင်း-၇၆)

- ★ 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

Bagan rain brings prosperity

While I prepared luggage for a four-day trip to Bagan-NyaungU, I decided to take at least four suits but I was hesitant considering whether I should carry an umbrella or not. Finally, I made up my mind not to hold the umbrella on my tour as the region is supposed to be the one where only the light rain falls.

I arrived Bagan-NyaungU at dawn on the next day by NyaungU-Mann Express Bus which left Nay Pyi Taw in the evening on 22 August. The bus which drove on Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung Road would be reaching NyaungU earlier if it didn't take the breaks on the way. As the road transportation becomes better toady, Nay Pyi

**Article: Tin Htwe (MNA);
Photo: Than Oo (MNA)**

Taw-Bagan-NyaungU trip takes only five hours by car.

NyaungU District Peace and Development Council Office stands aside NyaungU Township PDC office in a compound by NyaungU-Kyaukpadaung Road as NyaungU is the only township in one district.

(See page 7)



Farm workers ploughing for monsoon paddy in farmland irrigated by Letpanchepaw River Water Pumping Station.

C-in-C (Navy)'s Shield Boxing Tournament concludes

YANGON, 7 Sept—

The prize presentation of the Commander-in-Chief (Navy)'s Shield Boxing Tournament took place at the hall of Ayeyawady Naval Region Command Headquarters on 3 September afternoon.

On behalf of the Commander-in-Chief (Navy), the acting commander of Ayeyawady Naval Region Command delivered an address at the opening ceremony.

Among the spectators were senior military officers, officers, other ranks, family members and guests.

After the opening ceremony, the final matches followed.

Taninthayi Naval Region Command secured the championship shield in the final.

Officials presented prizes to the respective winners.

On behalf of the Commander-in-Chief (Navy), the acting commander of Ayeyawady Naval Region Command awarded championship shield to Taninthayi Naval Region Command that stood first in the tournament.—MNA

Educative talks on traffic rules given in Mawlamyine

YANGON, 7 Sept — Organized by Mon State Traffic Rule Enforcement Committee, educative talks on traffic rules was held at Myinthaya Ward Peace and Development Council in Mawlamyine on 31 August.

Police Inspectors Hla Tun and Aung Naing gave talks on traffic rules. Police Inspector Hla Tun presented video discs and pamphlets to Ward PDC Chairman U Khin Maung Win who spoke words of thanks.—MNA