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Preserve national solidarity with Union Spirit

The entire national people are dutybound to preserve the already-achieved national solidarity with Union Spirit so that the Union of Myanmar will be able to stand tall as long as the world exists.

Senior General Than Shwe
Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council
Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services
(from the message sent on the occasion of 60th Anniversary Union Day)



Flow of local products will be faster among regions and states than ever before Daungnay Creek Bridge, 255th facility, commissioned

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Feb—Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint and Chairman of Magway Region Peace and Development Council U Phone

Maw Shwe today attended the opening of Daungnay Creek Bridge constructed by Bridge Construction Special Project Group-14 of Public Works under the

Ministry of Construction.

The newly constructed bridge is 255th facility
(See page 7)



Photo shows Daungnay Creek Bridge, 255th facility in the nation, on Yangon-Pyay-Magway-Mandalay Road in Magway Township.—MNA

Four political objectives

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

Four economic objectives

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

Four social objectives

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

PERSPECTIVES

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Have an optimistic view of Myanmar's real situation

The 10th Session of Universal Periodic Review of Human Rights Council took place in Geneva, Switzerland, from 24 January to 4 February. Universal Periodic Review, part of work programme of Human Rights Council, is held once every four years to review human rights movements being implemented by all the 192 countries.

At the review, countries present their health, education, cultural and human rights issues and other member countries take part in discussions and give suggestions without having any intention to criticize politically. At the 10th session, the Myanmar delegation explained objective conditions of Myanmar.

The constitution of Myanmar carries a separate chapter about fundamental rights of citizens whose standards and norms are on a par with that of international constitutions. The power to issue five writs is vested in courts so that the citizens can enjoy their rights.

Now, sessions of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw and Region/State Hluttaws elected by the people are taking place. From the Hluttaw sessions, executive, judiciary and legislature will emerge and they are initial steps for democratization. Myanmar will be able to carry out democratization process step by step depending on its objective conditions and exercise discipline-flourishing democracy system effectively.

The international community has long misunderstood Myanmar regarding human rights because anti-government groups and some of their supportive powers are one-sidedly manufacturing fabrications.

Myanmar is carrying out human rights programmes in line with the provisions included in the constitution and international norms and standards. At the 10th session of the review, the majority of the countries recognized Myanmar's positive developments. So, the international community will understand Myanmar's objective conditions.

Contracts signed for massive production of limestone, coal, and ionized bauxite

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Feb—In line with the permission of the Head of State, Mining Enterprise No. 3 under Ministry of Mines and Youth Investment Group (Y.I.G) Industrial Production Co Ltd signed contracts for massive production of limestone, coal and ionized bauxite on profit-sharing basis at the ministry here this morning in the presence of Minister for Mines U Ohn Myint.

Contracts include massive production of limestone from Nyaungbindaung (North), Nwalabodaung, Thabyaydaung fields to supply industrial raw materials for 2000-ton capacity cement plant, massive production of coal from

Peoples' Festival

- * 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

University of Agriculture, Myanmar Agriculture Service furnished with teaching aids



Minister U Htay Oo makes speech at teaching aids donation ceremony of Myanmar Awba Group of Companies for University of Agriculture and Myanmar Agriculture Service.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Feb—Myanmar Awba Group of Companies donated teaching aids to University of Agriculture and Myanmar Agriculture Service under Ministry of Agriculture and

Irrigation at the ministry here this morning.

Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo spoke on the occasion. Executive Director U Thatoe Hein of Myanmar Awba Group

of Companies then presented nine sets of projectors to Yezin University of Agriculture and Agriculture Research and Training Centre through the rector of Yezin University of

Agriculture.

The minister then presented certificate of honour to U Thatoe Hein and the rector expressed gratitude for the donation.

MNA

Service medals awarded to staff of CPT Ministry



Minister U Thein Zaw addresses medal awarding ceremony for 2009 and 2010.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Feb—The Ministry of Communications, Posts

and Telegraphs held the ceremony to present medals and cash awarded

by the State Peace and Development Council to the service personnel at its hall, here, this morning.

General Manager U Maung Maung Win reported on presentation of medals and cash.

CPT Minister U Thein Zaw presented Good Public Service medals for the staff to Managing Director U Tint Lwin of Myanmar Posts and Telecommunications and Public Service medals for the staff to Director-General U Khin Maung Thet of Directorate of

Telecommunications.

Deputy Minister U Thein Tun also presented medals for prevalence of law and order for 2009 to the staff through departmental heads.

Next, the minister attended the First Annual General Meeting of Yatanarpon Tele-port Co Ltd for 2009-2010 at the ministry.

It was also attended by the deputy minister, officials of MPT and Yatanarpon Tele-port Co Ltd.

MNA

UN chief hails election in Myanmar

UNITED NATIONS, 4 Feb—UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon on Friday said the election of the new president and vice-presidents of the Union Government of Myanmar “represents an important opportunity” for the southeast Asian country, UN spokesperson Farhan Haq told reporters here.

The newly convened parliament of the Union of Myanmar announced on Friday of the election of U Thein Sein as president and of Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo and Dr Sai Mauk Kham as vice presidents.

In a statement issued by Ban’s spokesperson, the secretary-general voiced his hope that the announcement marks the beginning of change in the status-quo.

The president-elect is expected to form a new government, according to the state constitution.—MNA/Xinhua

Chinese leaders congratulate newly elected Myanmar leaders

BEIJING, 5 Feb—Chinese President Hu Jintao on Friday sent a congratulatory letter to U Thein Sein on his election as Myanmar’s president.

Chinese Vice President Xi Jinping sent congratulatory messages to Dr Sai Mauk Kham and Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo on their election as Myanmar’s vice presidents.

U Thein Sein was elected president by Myanmar’s new parliament from among the three designated vice presidents earlier Friday.

MNA/Xinhua

British soldier killed in Afghanistan accident

LONDON, 5 Feb— A British Army soldier was killed Friday in an accident in southern Afghanistan, the Ministry of Defence in London announced.

The soldier, from 1st Battalion The Royal Irish Regiment, was on duty in the Nad-e Ali District of the troubled Helmand Province when the incident occurred.

The death brings to 351 the number of British troops killed since operations in Afghanistan began in October 2001. Of these, at least 309 were killed through hostile action.

“He died as a result of an operational accident, which is currently under investigation,” said Task Force Helmand spokesman Lieutenant Colonel David Eastman.—Internet

Bomb explodes near Afghan police chief’s house



US soldiers inspect the scene of a car bomb explosion in Kandahar south of Kabul, Afghanistan 4 Feb, 2011. Officials and witnesses say a car bomb has exploded outside a house owned by the police chief in the southern province of Kandahar. It’s the second attack on him this week.—INTERNET

KANDAHAR, 5 Feb— A suicide car bomb struck outside the house of the police chief in southern Afghanistan’s largest city Friday, wounding at least two people.

It was the second attack on him this week.

Chief Khan Moham-mad Mujahid was inside the house but wasn’t hurt when the bomb went off.

He said he believes the attack was aimed at him following efforts by his force and the NATO-led coalition to root out Taliban militants in areas surrounding

Kandahar city.

“They want to scare the people from joining the government,” Mujahid said.

US and NATO officials have said they believe they are making progress in routing militants from Kandahar city and its environs since a surge of forces into the area this past summer.

The recent spate of attacks on officials in the city serve as a reminder that the militants are still very much a force in their long-time stronghold.

Internet

Reporter says Cameron’s ex-aide knew about hacking

LONDON, 5 Feb— Prime Minister David Cameron was “either a liar or an idiot” to believe that his former media chief was not involved in phone hacking, a reporter claimed in newly published evidence Friday.

Freelance journalist Paul McMullan claimed that Andy Coulson, who until last month was Cameron’s chief of



Andy Coulson, former Director of Communications to Prime Minister David Cameron and ex-editor of the News of the World, is seen leaving his London home.—INTERNET

communications, knew that reporters were hacking celebrities’ phones when he was editor of the News of the World.

In written evidence to a parliamentary committee investigating the hacking scandal, McMullan said “everyone in the schoolyard did it” when Coulson worked at The Sun tabloid, before he moved to the News of the World.—Internet

Plane crashes in northern Iraq, killing seven

SULAIMANIYAH, 5 Feb— A small private plane caught on fire and crashed Friday, shortly after taking off from a regional airport in northern Iraq, killing all seven passengers on board, officials said.

The plane had just lifted off from the Sulaimaniyah airport around 5 pm when the fire broke out in one of its

engines, officials said. It tried to land but crashed in a heavy snowstorm.

Airport head Tahir Abdullah Qadir said the private twin-engine plane carried four foreign businessmen working for AsiaCell, one of Iraq’s largest mobile phone companies. He would not say what nationality the passengers were but said



The head of Sulaimaniyah airport Tahir Abdullah Qadir.

the plane was headed to the Turkish capital of Ankara.

Three crew members aboard also died, Qadir said. Qadir said the initial investigation indicated the fire was the result of a mechanical problem and was not linked to the bad weather.—Internet

Workers use shovels and machinery to clear ice and snow on 3 February, outside of Cowboy Stadium in Arlington, Texas.

INTERNET



Six people injured by falling ice at Super Bowl venue

DALLAS, 5 Feb—At least six workers who were trying to get Cowboys Stadium ready for the Super Bowl

were taken to hospitals on Friday after being struck by falling ice, a National Football League spokesman said.

The six were taken to different hospitals and the two most seriously injured were in stable condition.

“Melting ice and snow on the Cowboys Stadium roof slid onto several plaza areas earlier today,” said Michael Signora, the

NFL’s vice president of communications.

“The snow on the roof is in the process of being cleared away in preparation for Sunday’s Super Bowl.”

The Dallas-Fort Worth area was hammered with back-to-back winter storms this week which brought ice and bone-chilling winds then dumped six inches (15 centimeters) of snow early Friday morning.

Internet

File photo shows Iraqis inspect the wreckage of a car that exploded in Baghdad.

INTERNET



China congratulates newly-elected Myanmar leaders

BEIJING, 2 Feb—Wu Bangguo, chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of China, on Monday sent congratulatory messages to Myanmar's newly-elected Upper House speaker U Khin Aung Myint and Lower House speaker Thura U Shwe Mann, respectively, on their taking offices.

Myanmar's house of nationalities (Upper House) session on Monday elected U Khin Aung Myint, Minister of Culture, as speaker of the Upper House.

Also on Monday, No 3 Myanmar state leader Thura U Shwe Mann, who is a member of the State Peace and Development Council and previously the Chief of General Staff of the army, the navy and the air force, was elected as speaker of the house of representatives by the house of representatives (Lower House).

MNA/Xinhua

Australia faces weather woes with southern storms

CAIRNS, (Australia), 5 Feb—The tail end of one of Australia's largest-ever cyclones triggered wild storms and flash flooding at the other end of the country Saturday, while residents in the cyclone zone picked through what was left of their homes.

The tropical low that was Cyclone Yasi, which tore through the northeast earlier this week, was active over central Australia and making a series of thunderstorms over the southern city of Melbourne and other large towns in Victoria state much worse, the Bureau of Meteorology said.

More than 7 inches (175 millimetres) of rain fell in just a few hours overnight Friday in some Melbourne neighbourhoods and winds gusting to 80 mph (130 kph) knocked down trees, the Bureau of Meteorology said. Drains were overwhelmed, causing flash flooding that covered streets and swamped some homes.

The State Emergency Service said 84 people were rescued from cars that stalled in flooded streets, or from inundated properties.

A 26-year-old English tourist was taken to a hospital after part of a tree fell on the tent she was camping in, SES spokesman David Tucek said.

Internet

Thirteen dead in fresh Sri Lanka floods

COLOMBO, 5 Feb—Renewed rains in Sri Lanka have flooded a large number of towns and villages and killed at least 13 people, officials said Saturday.

Heavy monsoon downpours have driven some 800,000 people out of their flooded homes and into state-run welfare centres or to stay with friends and relatives on higher ground, officials said.

"The situation in the Eastern, North and North Central Provinces is serious as monsoon rains continue," the Disaster Management Centre (DMC) said in a statement.

Police said the number of people killed in the latest flood-related incidents had risen to 13 after five people who went missing after a boat accident

on Thursday night were later declared dead.

The DMC said that floods were widespread and were flowing over roads, agricultural land and town centres, worsening the damage already caused by rains that began in December.

At least 43 people were killed and a million driven out of their homes last month by flooding.

On Friday, a flood victim gave birth in mid-air minutes after she was plucked to safety by a Bell-212 military helicopter in the north-central region of the country, the air force said.

The woman had been among a group of villagers marooned in the town of Horowpathana, air force spokesman Janaka Nanayakkara said.—Internet

'Superman' producer at hospital near Mexico City

CUERNAVACA, 5 Feb—A health official in Mexico says the producer of the Superman films of the 1970s and '80s is recovering at a hospital after being admitted in a state of disorientation and suffering facial and head injuries.

Ilya Salkind had been staying at a home near Mexico City and his friends reported him missing earlier this week.

Arturo Torres of the Morelos state medical office said Friday that the 63-year-old Salkind didn't have identification when he was admitted Sunday at a hospital in Cuernavaca.

Morelos Attorney General Pedro Luis Benitez Velez says Salkind was hurt while in Tepoztlan, a town about 55 miles south of Mexico City. It was unclear how he was injured.

Salkind produced "Superman" in 1978 and two sequels.—Internet

Ten more dead in Philippine floods

MANILA, 5 Feb—Ten more people have been killed in floods and landslides after nearly a week of heavy rains in the southern Philippines, raising the death toll to 20, according to the government.

The island of Jolo was the latest area to suffer from bad weather late Thursday, when flash floods and storm surges killed five people, said Jolo mayor Amin Hussin.

As floodwaters ebbed on the main southern island of Mindanao, rescue workers unearthed the remains of five people who had been buried by landslides earlier in the week, the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council said.

Some 73,000 people are still in evacuation camps after the latest round of heavy rains began to lash Mindanao on 31 January, the council said in a bulletin.

It was the second time the region had been hit by torrential rains this year.

Flooding across the southern and central Philippines last month claimed 75 lives, according to the disaster council.

Internet



Residents stand among mud and salvaged belongings near their houses after a flash flooding on southern Philippines island of Mindanao, on 18 January.—INTERNET



A clutter of boats and yachts are piled together at Port Hinchinbrook near Cardwell, Australia, on 4 Feb, 2011, after Cyclone Yasi brought heavy rain and howling winds gusting to 186 mph (300 kph). INTERNET

Quake hits Japan's Kanto region

TOKYO, 5 Feb—An earthquake with a preliminary magnitude of 5.2 on the Richter scale rocked Japan's Kanto Region Saturday, said the Japan Meteorological Agency.

The focus of the quake, which occurred at 10:56 am (0156 GMT), was located some 70 km under the sea southeast of Chiba Prefecture, said the agency.

There were no immediate reports of casualties or damage to properties, and no tsunami warning was issued.

Xinhua

Residents in a boat pass a submerged car as they evacuate their flooded home at the village of Kampong Jawa, 200 km (124 miles) south of Kuala Lumpur, on 4 Feb, 2011. Heavy rains triggered the worst floods in four years in the Southeast Asian country, killing five people, driving 41,000 people from their homes and cutting off several towns in the southern state of Johor. XINHUA



Health



A child takes a plate of healthy snacks during a weightloss programme for overweight adolescents and children in Aurora, Colorado. The more mothers work during their children's lifetimes, the more likely their kids are to be overweight or obese, according to a US study published in the journal 'Child Development'.

INTERNET

How diabetes hurts blood vessels

ST LOUIS, 5 Feb—US researchers suggest the lack of interaction of two enzymes may lead to blood vessel damage in those with diabetes.

Xiaochao Wei, a postdoctoral research scholar, and researchers at Washington University School of Medicine in St Louis say avoiding diabetic-linked blood vessel damage in mice involved two enzymes — fatty acid synthase and nitric oxide synthase.

Wei discovered fatty acid synthase makes a lipid that attaches to nitric oxide synthase, allowing it to hook to the cell membrane and help make blood vessels normal and healthy.

"In animals that don't have fatty acid synthase and normal nitric oxide synthase in endothelial cells, we saw a lot of leaky blood vessels," researcher Dr Clay Semenkovich says in a statement. —*Internet*



A young child sticks close to her mother at a hospital. Children with Type 1 diabetes are almost 10 times likelier to be infected by a cold-like virus compared to counterparts without the disease, according to a paper published on Friday by the British Medical Journal (BMJ).

INTERNET

Cosmetic surgery may lessen migraine

CLEVELAND, 5 Feb—Ninety percent of migraine headache patients get at least partial pain relief after cosmetic surgery, US plastic surgeons say.

Study leader Dr Bahman Guyuron of University Hospitals Case Medical Centre and Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine in Cleveland says almost 30 percent of patients no longer suffered from migraine headaches after surgery.

Guyuron, a plastic surgeon, developed the migraine surgery techniques after noticing that some migraine patients had

reduced headache activity after a cosmetic forehead-lift procedures. The techniques consist of "surgical deactivation" of "trigger sites" in the muscles or nerves that produce pain, Guyuron says.

The study, published in *Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery*, finds 29 percent of patients said surgery eliminated migraine headaches and 59 percent reported significant decreases during the five years following surgery. The remaining patients reported no change in headache activity.

Internet

Health Tip: What causes Arthritis pain?

It's no secret to any person with arthritis that pain comes with the territory.

But what makes arthritis so painful? The Arthritis Foundation offers this list of contributing factors:

- Arthritis causes painful inflammation (swelling) of the joints.
- Arthritis — over time — damages joint tissue, causing additional pain.
- Arthritis leads to a feeling of fatigue, which makes pain feel worse and more difficult to manage.
- Arthritis can lead to symptoms of stress or depression, making you focus more on pain and lament not being able to do the things you once enjoyed. — *Internet*



A professor inspects an image of a cancerous breast tumour. Breast cancer rates in Britain have increased over the last decade, with one in eight women now expected to develop the disease at some point in their life, figures released by a cancer charity showed Friday. —*INTERNET*

INTERNET

Business

Borders receives delisting warning from NYSE



A customer is seen through the window of a Borders book store in New York, 16 March, 2010. —*INTERNET*

SAN FRANCISCO, 5 Feb—Troubled bookseller Borders Group Inc (BGP.N) said on Friday that the New York Stock Exchange warned it its low share price

did not meet listing requirements.

The company said it was notified on Thursday it was not in compliance with a standard requiring shares to maintain an average closing price of \$1.00 over a 30 day trading period. Borders has six months to fix the problem.

Shares last hit \$1.00 on 28 January. Borders, which operates 500 namesake stores, is the second-largest book chain in the United States that has been struggling for years with sliding sales and most recently with a cash crunch. It has said that it may need to explore a restructuring under court supervision, which could mean a bankruptcy filing.

Internet

Record revenues for luxury retailer LVMH in 2010

PARIS, 5 Feb—Global luxury retailer LVMH said Friday that strong demand for its champagnes and Louis Vuitton leather bags helped it make a 73 percent leap in full-year profit, and said prospects for 2011 were good.

"2010 was a great vintage for LVMH," said chairman and CEO Bernard Arnault in a statement as the firm's annual earnings were announced. Annual net profit rose to 3.03 billion euros (\$4.13 billion) from 1.76 billion euros a year earlier, when many affluent consumers were spooked by the financial crisis.

LVMH, which owns the Fendi

fashion house and the TAG Heuer watch brand, posted a 19 percent rise in revenue to 20.32 billion euros from 17.05 billion a year ago, matching analysts' expectations.

Revenue in the fourth quarter, the industry's most important period of the year, rose 20 percent to 6.11 billion euros, further reflecting strong demand for luxury goods over the holiday period.

Sales in its fashion and leather goods division, home to Louis Vuitton, rose 20 percent to 2.12 billion euros in the fourth quarter, and the company said all its champagne brands recovered strongly over the year. —*Internet*

DeVilbiss air compressors recalled

WASHINGTON, 5 Feb —Jackson, Tenn, firm DeVilbiss Air Power Co is recalling 460,000 air compressors due to a fire hazard, a federal watchdog agency said.

The US Consumer Product Safety Commission said the air compressors sold under Craftsman, Delta Shopmaster, DeVilbiss, Husky and Porter-Cable brand names can overheat, posing a fire hazard.

The Craftsman-brand compressors were sold at

Sears stores from September 2000 through December 2005 for about \$215. All other brands were sold from January 2003 through December 2004 for between \$200 and \$300.

A variety of models are involved in the recall. The Craftsman and were sold as red 15-gallon models. The Porter-Cable compressors were sold in red 4-gallon and 6-gallon models. Delta Shopmaster sold gray 12-gallon models. —*Internet*



Mannequins display Louis Vuitton bags.

INTERNET



Science



Rare Madagascar predator disappearing



A fossa at the Cincinnati Zoo in 2009.—INTERNET

ANTANANARIVO, 5 Feb—The fossa, a rare and unusual cat-like predator on the island of Madagascar, is endangered and faces an uncertain future, researchers say. In areas that were once strongholds, few fossas can be found as villagers hunt and kill the animals in an effort to protect livestock, including chickens, the BBC reported on Friday.

The fossa, genetically related to the mongoose, is an expert climber and well-equipped for chasing down lemurs, small shrew-like creatures called tenrecs and almost

any other animal in Madagascar's forests.

Official estimates suggest fewer than 2,500 fossas survive and the animal should be considered endangered, researchers say.

Mia-Lana Luhrs from the University of Gottingen in Germany says she has recorded a substantial drop in the number of fossas living in the Kirindy nature reserve in the west of the island nation. In 2007, Luhrs recorded 18 different males regularly visiting a particular tree to mate with females. In 2010, only two males were seen.

Luhrs says she believes no more than 30 fossas of either sex now exist in the reserve. "That is not sufficient for the population to survive without management," she says.—Internet

'Armchair' archaeologist sees Saudi sites

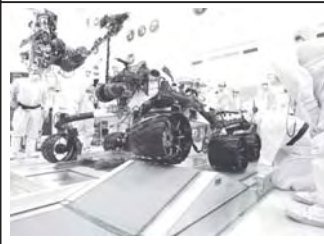
PERTH, 5 Feb—An Australian researcher says he's found many potential archaeological sites in Saudi Arabia — from his office in Perth, using satellite images from Google.

"I've never been to Saudi Arabia," David Kennedy at the University of Western Australia says. "It's not the easiest country to break into."

So Kennedy, sitting in his office chair, scanned 475 square miles of Saudi Arabia from his desktop computer using high-resolution satellite images from Google Earth and found 1977 potential archaeological sites, including 1082 "pendants" — ancient tear-drop shaped stone tombs,

NewScientist.com reported Friday.

Comparing the images with structures Kennedy has seen in Jordan, he says he believes the sites may be up to 9,000 years old, but that ground verification is critical. "Just from Google Earth it's impossible to know whether we have found a Bedouin structure that was made 150 years ago, or 10,000 years ago," he says. The science of "armchair archaeology" has blossomed since Google Earth was launched five years ago, and in 2008 researchers from Melbourne, Australia, found 463 potential sites in the Registan Desert in Afghanistan using the programme, NewScientist.com said.—Internet



This undated image provided by NASA shows technicians working on the new Mars rover, Curiosity. Nine months before Curiosity's scheduled launch, the space agency says the mission has burned through its reserves and needs an extra \$82 million to complete testing before liftoff.

INTERNET

DNA evidence yields new fish species find

WASHINGTON, 5 Feb — US researchers examining three species of a fish called a blenny, studied for 100 years, say they've found they're actually looking at 10 distinct species.

Scientists from the Smithsonian Institution say a century of study of blennies, native to shallow coral and rock reefs in the western Atlantic and eastern Pacific oceans, would suggest there was little left to discover about them, but modern DNA techniques have proved them wrong, a Smithsonian release said on Friday.

The longstanding classification of the three species was contradicted by DNA studies of coral reef fish from larvae to adults, finally yielding seven previously unclassified species new to science, the researchers say.

"DNA analysis has offered science a great new resource to examine old questions," said Carole Baldwin, a zoologist at Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History. "This discovery is a perfect example of how DNA barcoding is illuminating species that we've missed before, particularly small cryptic reef fishes like Starksia blennies.—Internet



Technology



Galaxy Tab gets hacked, finally runs Gingerbread

NEW YORK, 5 Feb—Owners of the Samsung Galaxy Tab have so far waited pretty patiently for Google to upgrade the tablet from Froyo (a not-so-tablet-friendly version of Android) to Gingerbread. But it would seem one developer got a little too impatient waiting for the update, so got to work adding Android 2.3 themselves.

XDA Developers Forum member "Technomancer" managed to devise a hack that allows the Samsung Galaxy Tab to successfully run Gingerbread. All the hack takes is one downloadable file and an unprotected bootloader that can run Euro ROMs. Sadly, it appears to be a little fiddly.

There are minimal instructions on how to run this hack so is best left to more confident tinkers. It is also still a little buggy, with only basic functions like WiFi, voice calls and 3G data and GPS working fully for most. Though Technomancer and the XDA crew are currently working on the bugs, so stay tuned for an even more stable update or at least make a backup.

Internet

A Nintendo DS emulator for Android OS that works?

NEW YORK, 5 Feb—Nintendo DS emulators have been around for awhile on PCs, but a proper touchscreen version for a mobile platform like Android OS? That's new, and in this case, not a gimmick like the "shell" iPhone app DS Double Sys. This time we're talking about an actual handheld-based DS emulator.

Okay, it's not really ready for prime time, and in fact designer Tiger Lab calls it a "very early prototype version (beta) for demo only," but hey, you want a DS emulator on your Android phone, Tiger Lab's put it up for download (though only "for limited days").

Tiger Lab really just wanted to demonstrate it could be done and says

the emulator is "very very slow so you shall not expect to play NDS game [sic] with this emulator." You'll need a pretty powerful Android phone to get it working, and even then, you'll want to "just try some small [non-3D] games."

You'll also need Nintendo DS ROMs, software copies of the original Read Only Memory chips used in Nintendo's video game cartridges. They're also generally illegal, and whether you own a copy of the original game or not, downloading them's a legal no-no.

Tiger Lab says it plans to pour "huge efforts" into getting the DS emulator up to grade by adding a dynamic recompiler, simulating a graphics processor (GPU), allowing OpenGL hardware rendering, and adding a floating point unit (FPU).

Incidentally, the game on the right in the image up top is obviously Mario Kart DS, but the game on the left? I had to dig, but apparently it's a shoot-em-up called Geo Wars released back in 2007, though I'm pretty sure you need an R4 or M3 card to play it.

Internet



File photo shows people use computers at an internet cafe in Taiyuan, Shanxi Province, China 13 November, 2009.

INTERNET



BMW's new Multicamera System can give you a valuable look forward when entering tricky intersections.—INTERNET

Greenpoison lets you jailbreak iOS 4.2.1

WASHINGTON, 5 Feb—Attention iOS 4.2.1 users: You are now free to jailbreak your iDevice! The hackers at Chronic Dev have come up with an unteathered solution called greenpoison. Not only can you jailbreak without tethering to the computer but you can also reboot the phone without having to re-jailbreak. Hooray!

The jailbreak is available for Mac, Linux, and Windows. Engadget notes that this version of Greenpoison was "rushed," so you may want to wait a little before diving in.

You can download the zip file for your system at greenpoison.com, but be warned that the site is extremely slow in response to all of the downloads.—Internet

Flow of local products will be faster...

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of its kind on Yangon-Pyay-Magway-Mandalay Road in Magway Township, Magway District, Magway Region.

It was also attended by region/district/township level departmental officials, officials of Public Works, social organization members and local people.

The minister explained purpose of the bridge construction and facts about the bridge.

The Magway Region

PDC chairman then delivered an address. A local spoke words of thanks.

The minister and the chairman cordially greeted the local residents.

Afterwards, the chairman, commanding officer and Managing Director U Kyaw Lin of Public Works formally opened the transport facility.

The minister unveiled the stone inscription of the bridge. Later, the minister and party strolled along



Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint formally unveils stone inscription of Daungny Creek Bridge.—MNA



Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint and party walk on Daungny Creek Bridge.—MNA

the bridge.

Flanked by two feet and five inches wide pedestrian ways, Daungny Creek Bridge is 1785 feet long and 24 feet wide two-lane facility and of RC bored pile type. It can withstand 60 tons of loads.

The newly constructed facility is 255th 180-foot-and-above bridge for Public Works and 21st of its kind in Magway Region.

In the past, there was

not a single bridge to cross the creek before Daungny Creek Bridge construction. In rainy season, vehicles had to wait for the lowest water level of the creek to cross it. There were many obstacles to transportation.

Thanks to emergence of the bridge, the routes from Magway of Magway Region to Bagan-NyaungU, to Yangon, Mandalay and Nay Pyi Taw via Myingyan-Natogyi Road

after passing through Yangon-Mandalay Expressway, to Rakhine State through Magway-Minbu-An Road, and to other regions and states will be smooth. Flow of local products will be faster among regions and states than ever before. Moreover, economic, social, management, education and health sectors of the regions will develop for sure.

MNA

Final rites of Kyakhatwaing Sayadaw on 9 Feb, ashes to be floated down on 10 Feb

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Feb — The pujaniya ceremony for the final rites of the State Ovadacariya Vice-Chairman of Shwegyin Nikaya Joint-Sangharaja of Shwegyin Nikaya Presiding Nayaka of Thiri Mingala Kyakhatwaing Pariyatti Monastery of

Bago Abhidhaja Maha Rattha Guru Abhidhaja Agga Maha Saddhammajotika Bhaddanta Jotipala will be held at the monastery at 11.30 am on 9 February and the remains of the abbot will be moved to the compound of Shwe-aungyuae

Pagoda in Bago at 1 pm for the final rites.

Ashes of the abbot will be ceremonially brought to Sittoung Bridge in Waw township at 1 pm on the following day and the ashes will be floated down the river.—MNA

No. 1 BEPS Dagon Myothit (North) honours outstanding teachers, students

YANGON, 5 Feb—No. 1 Basic Education Primary School in Dagon Myothit (North) Township here held a ceremony to honour outstanding teachers and students for 2009-2010 academic year at the school this morning.

First, headmaster U Soe Min made a speech. Next, Assistant Township Education Officer U Ye Myint spoke words of congratulations and the headmaster and personnel awarded outstanding teachers and students.

MNA

Mass production of coal in Kalewa signed

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Feb—No. 3 Mining Enterprise under the Ministry of Mines and Htoo International Industries Co Ltd signed a contract for mass production of coal from Theitchauk Region and Labinchaung Region in Kalewa Township, Kalay District, Sagaing Region on a profit-sharing basis at the ministry here yesterday evening.

Minister for Mines U

Ohn Myint gave an opening speech and Managing Director U Win Htein of No. 3 Mining Enterprise elaborated on mining and extraction of coal.

Vice-President of Htoo Company U Thiha spoke words of thanks. Then, the managing director and the vice-

president signed the contract and exchanged documents in the presence of the minister and personnel from Myanmar Investment Commission and Office of Attorney-General. Next, the minister gave the vice-president work permit.

MNA

Maruart laminate flooring on display in Lifestyles Expo

YANGON, 5 Feb—Maruart (21st century Korean laminate colourful parquet and Shin Han Vinly Wallpaper) pavilion is staged at the Lifestyle Expo-2011 at Tatmadaw Convention Hall on U Wisara Road, Dagon Township, here, from 3 to 6 February.

The Korean-made parquet blocks are resistant to heat and do not get cuts easily on them. They can withstand heavy weight.

Those wishing to place orders may contact No (2), Aungthukha Street, 9th Mile (near Oshin Supermarket), in Mayangon Township (Ph: 701478, 09-5009523); No (178), 7th Floor, Banyadala Road, Mingala Taungnyunt Township (293012, 09-541165); and No (29), Konzaydan Street, Pabedan Township, Yangon (380589, 380073), or visit web: <http://www.gsi.myanmar.com>.

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Maruart parquet and Shin Han Vinly Wallpaper pavilion at Lifestyles Expo 2011.

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HAILING THE 64th ANNIVERSARY UNION DAY:**Keep taking regular strides democratically****Kyaw Ye Min****National brethren
United we stand**

Sessions of respective hluttaws (parliaments) are being held successfully at the hluttaw halls of the grand Hluttaw Building in Nay Pyi Taw. Representatives of national races are holding talks to decide the future of the nation. Region and State hluttaws are also convening sessions systematically. It is safe to say that Myanmar is on its path to the goal of democracy through hluttaws.

Of the seven steps of Road Map, the sixth and seventh are being implemented successively. Superficially, the sixth and seventh steps seem to be not very effective, but in practice, they work very well as they are implemented in line with the constitution and hluttaws. Therefore, I say that the sixth and seventh steps are in the process of being implemented at a stretch through the political trend by the people of all national races.

Hluttaw sessions are being held in accordance with the constitution, and in return, the constitution has come into force due to the hluttaw sessions. The first session of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw took place at noon on 31 January. Since then, the constitution has being brought into force across the nation. Therefore, all the affairs of the nation and the people have to be decided in consistence with the constitution.

I watched the holding of the sessions of Pyithu Hluttaw, Amyotha Hluttaw and Pyidaungsu Hluttaw on TV. Mostly, I did it with great interest. I am interested in what the new era, new system and new nation are like in their infancies.

All representatives of national races are present at the sessions of the hluttaws. They are in their traditional costumes. And Defence Services personnel representatives are in military uniforms. From time and again, I see some representatives from my home town on TV. Representatives are of different national races, different ages, different occupations and are from different regions, but they are found self-confident because they are serving as public representatives. Due to their high sensibility, hluttaw representatives win trust and reliance from and have been elected by local people of their home regions. Overall, hluttaws serve as public forum in which representatives of the whole Union and entire people are sitting together for national and public affairs.

Nonetheless, certain unscrupulous persons are commenting that members of parliaments are all yes-men, and MPs have to do nothing, but just to clap in hluttaw sessions. Indeed, they are saying that grapes are sour, because the position of a member of parliament is too high for them to reach.

I have presented that hluttaw representatives win trust and reliance from local people of respective regions and are vested responsibilities. Thanks to their high calibers and expertise, they are elected by the public as public representatives. That is common knowledge. The people believe in the capabilities of hluttaw representatives. If hluttaw members had not been competent enough or they had been jobless, no need to say, the people would not have elected them as their representatives. The people have decided their future in a democratic way. So, they should have understood that point. Even if they overlook that fact, they should not say so with the intention of harming the image of hluttaw representatives. Tarnishing the image of public representatives means insulting the people who have elected their representatives. Therefore, they should be careful about what they say.

At hluttaws, chairpersons, speakers and deputy speakers have been elected. Now, vice-presidents and president have been elected. In the process of nomination, some MPs nominated their counterparts they favoured, and their nominations were seconded by other MPs systematically. There was no post for which only one MP was nominated. The number of nominees ranged from two to four. It was found that candidates competed with one another democratically for the posts. For instance,

POEM**Unity the only means**

- * With tolerance
Disagreements we cease
And hostilities also
Restore peace with honour
Having a heart of gold
Soul, the loving kindness
- * With forgiveness
Resentments we end
Turning them into beauty
Purity is in mind
Be free from anxiety
Serenity we all enjoy
- * With understanding
Enhancing our inner beauty
Clear vision we all possess
Kindness and graciousness added
Smiles we ever wear
Everywhere found are joys
- * Alas, mistakes in sequence
Interferences so destructive
Hatred is negative
Injustice it encourages
Having arrogance ever
Failure to control conceit
There be wars of hostilities
Poverty and death they carry
Truly a living hell
A new vision at heart
Starts to stop war and embrace love
Patience and toleration
Consideration brethren have
Towards a modern country
A journey so tremendous
So strong is the strength
Excellent for the Union
Brethren in unity
Energy and strength grows

**Hailing the 64th Anniversary Union Day
Salin Phone Kyaw (Trs)**

Bamar representative and Shan representative jointly nominated the Kayin representative, and their nomination was seconded by Rakhine representative. Shan representative was nominated by Mon representative and supported by Kayah representative. Hluttaw representatives showed their personal views, stances and desires freely to nominate their favoured counterparts and seconded nomination. That gave birth to democracy in Myanmar. And the process reflected mutual understanding and friendly relations among national races of the Union.

In the process of nominating, in some cases, the number of nominees was more than one. Then, all hluttaw representatives had to cast secret ballots. And in some cases, they had to cast open

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HAILING THE 64th ANNIVERSARY UNION DAY:**Keep taking regular strides democratically****Kyaw Ye Min**

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votes. Opinion polls were carried out and decisions were made democratically to meet the stances of the majority. In the process, there were some disagreements. But, the character of democracy: the minority must comply with the stances of the majority: was witnessed at the hluttaws.

However, pessimists are making reasonable comments endlessly. They claimed that representatives of the party that won the majority of seats, and Defence Services personnel representatives, who make up 25 % of the entire hluttaw representatives, had prearranged the processes and the programmes were carried out according to their prearrangements, and so the representatives of the parties that won only small number of seats did not have any rights to make submissions or decisions. They should bear in mind that today, the nation is in the transition to democracy. If one wants to enjoy or favours democracy, one should not ignore the practice of democracy. If one wants to have chili, one should bear the spicy taste of chili. Representatives of the hluttaws do not make any comments. But, they are complaining about the processes. That implies they are not willing to honour democratic practice. And they seem to be against democracy.

In reality, the minority is part of all. They should view that half a glass of water is far better

Objectives of 64th Anniversary Union Day (2011)

1. For all national races to safeguard the national policy—Non-disintegration of the Union, Non-disintegration of national solidarity, and Perpetuation of sovereignty
2. For all national races to keep Union Spirit ever alive and dynamic among national people
3. For all national races to wipe out, through national solidarity, disruptions caused to peace, stability and development of the nation by internal and external subversives
4. For all national races to make efforts with might and main to build a modern, developed discipline-flourishing democratic nation in accordance with the State Constitution approved by the great majority of the people
5. For all national races to work in concert with national unity for perpetuation of the Union that has existed for thousands of years

than no water in the glass. They have to prioritize the interest of the nation and the people over their own. All MPs represented their parties and organizations. But now they have to keep off attachment to the party, organization and group concerned. For all those who give top priority to the affairs of the nation, public affairs, or national interest, there are no issues of being from different parties, groups and the issue of competition between the minority and the majority. All have to coordinate processes with uprightness in the interest of the

nation and the people. All are the same, hluttaw representatives. In voting to make decisions, the stance of the minority is to be taken seriously, and the stance of the majority is to be prioritized in accordance with the practice of democracy. That is a perfect process without any defects in it.

Some complain that formation of a new government through new hluttaws is not the process of today's political issue of national reconciliation. The political issue they mean is the issue sparked by the anti-government group. The ruling government and the forthcoming government do not have to address any particular political issues. Everything is all right as the processes are being implemented according to the seven-step Road Map. The disruptions caused by a handful of people do not work at all. It is strange that they are making a

mountain out of a molehill. The performance the ruling government has given for national reconsolidation is successful to a certain degree. In truth, the number of those who are against national reconciliation process is very low. And that is their personal problems. The forthcoming government that will emerge with hluttaws will have to take up the issue of national reconciliation. It will be unwise if the goal of the majority of the people is diverted from its course in the interest of the minority, let alone implementation of the processes from the start again. That is the point they are to be convinced of.

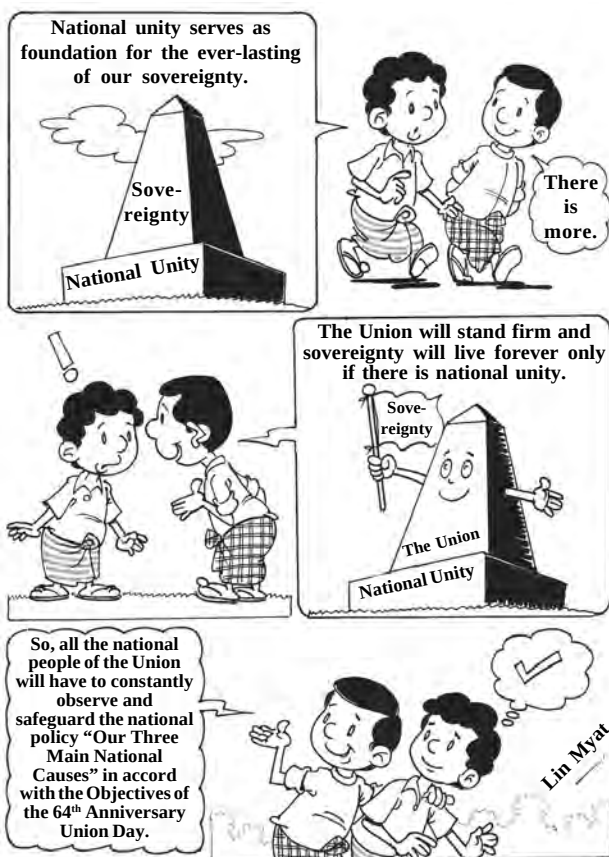
To make things worse, they are trying to hold second Panglong conference under the pretext of national reconciliation. Using the name of Panglong Agreement that is a milestone of the nation's independence struggles, they are resorting to varieties of ways. Apparently, they are trying to deal a devastating blow to the processes. Actually, that shows the volition of selfish axe-handles.

Very soon, the nation will see executive, legislative and judicial pillars. And there will be check and balance, while MPs are carrying out their duties with competence. They will keep the balance of the three pillars. Now, the constitution has come into force, so each citizen has rights and duties stipulated in the constitution. On the other side of rights are duties and vice versa, like the head and tail of a coin.

In such situations, the people should not be swayed themselves by words of unscrupulous elements. They are, by nature, pessimistic about whatever others do. They are very loud in democracy, but in practice, they are very sensitive to things and the democracy system that are against their interests. Indeed, what they favour is their interest, not democracy.

As a matter of fact, hluttaws are new political strides that entire people welcome, or the final steps of the seven-step Road Map. In such an opportune time, it is required of the people to maintain the rhythm, taking strides regularly. Therefore, the entire people are duty-bound to take part in the processes of democratization being implemented through hluttaws.

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Ever-lasting of sovereignty

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areas of Moekaung Creek, and Kaukkwe Creek. Kachin State is a god-given region being blessed with temperate climate pattern, favourable geographical condition and abundant natural resources.

Since the assumption of State's duties in 1988, national reconsolidation has been at the top of the agenda for the Government. So, it has exerted all-out efforts to restore stability and national consolidation in the Union in order to revive the nation which was threw into turmoil in 1988.

The Government has laid down new policies that are different from successive periods and endeavoured for restoration of national consolidation with the aim of bringing long-term benefit to national brethren. As a result, the entire nation has become peaceful and stable, especially border areas today have seen remarkable progress following unprecedented peace and stability.

Owing to the encouragement and support of the Government and single-minded combined efforts of local national leaders and national brethren, Kachin State has witnessed sector-wise development like any other states and regions in Myanmar. Local national brethren in Kachin State now are enjoying the fruits of development sowed by the Government with a view to ameliorating socio-economic status of the entire nation.

*(See page 11)***Progress of Kachin State**

Sr	Subject	Unit	1988	2010	Progress
1.	Arable land	acre	443160	886778	443618
2.	Dam	dam	3	70	67
3.	Water pumping work	work	nil	5	5
4.	Reserve forest	sq/mile	2008	11187	9179
5.	Motor road	mile	2154	3626	1472
6.	Above-180-foot bridge	bridge	27	79	52
7.	Post office	office	64	83	19
8.	Telegraph office	office	20	33	13
9.	Telephone office	office	12	83	71
10.	Microwave station	station	nil	24	24
11.	Hydropower plant	plant	1	6	5
12.	Private-owned industry	industry	601	1204	603
13.	Basic education school	school	1178	1313	135
14.	University, College	university/college	1	3	2
15.	Technological University, Technological College	university/college	nil	3	3
16.	University of Computer Studies	university	nil	2	2
17.	Hospital	hospital	35	47	12



Government Technological University (Myitkyina), the glory of Kachin State, turning out local national youths to be capable of serving the interests of the State and their region after they have been trained to be skilled in modern technology.

HAILING 64TH ANNIVERSARY UNION DAY**Kachin State gaining development momentum in the time of State Peace and Development Council**

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An aerial view of Tarpein (1) Hydropower Plant in Momauk Township of Kachin State to generate 1065 million kilowatt hours yearly.



Photo shows part of Myitkyina-Waingmaw-Hsadon-Kanpaikti Road that contributes to smooth and swift flow of passengers and commodities in Kachin State.

Projects to be implemented for progress of Kachin State

Sr	Subject	Location	Remark
1.	Agriculture		
	(a) Paungnek Dam Project	Shwegu Township	irrigated acre-5000
	(b) Tali Diversion Weir	Momauk Township	irrigated acre-3486
2.	Building Ayeyawady Bridge (Sinkhan) of Katha-Bhamo Railroad Project	Bhamo Township	(a) length of main bridge (3215) feet (b) length of motor road (4630) feet (c) length of railroad (5510) feet
3.	Railroad		
	-Bhamo-Sinkhan railroad section	Bhamo Township	(30) miles
4.	Railway Station		
	-Bhamo Station, Manrut Station, Mansi Station, Yekumankhan Station, Hanhtet Station, Myale Station, Sinkhan Station	Bhamo Township	Bhamo-Sinkhan railroad section
5.	Communication		
	(a) CDMA/GSM mobile phone	Myitkyina, Lwejel	Myitkyina Township, Semile Village
	(b) GSM mobile phone	Myitkyina, Waingmaw	Myitkyina Township, Industrial Zone
6.	Hydropower		
	(a) Myitsone Hydropower Project (being built)	Myitkyina	6000-megawatt
	(b) Chipwenge Hydropower Project (being built)	Chipwe Township	99-megawatt
	(c) Chipwegyi Hydropower Project (being built)	Chipwe Township	3400-megawatt



Warazup Bridge No. 2 on Myitkyina-Namti-Tanai Road.

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(Container Feeder Service)

ARRIVAL AND CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

Consignees of cargoes carried by M.V. DELPHINI ALPHA are hereby notified that the estimated arrival time of the vessels from Port Kelang are as follows:-

Voy-83	PKG	01-02-2011	YGN	06-02-2011
Voy-85	PKG	12-02-2011	YGN	16-02-2011
Voy-87	PKG	22-02-2011	YGN	26-02-2011

Cargoes will be discharged into the premises of B.S.W where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the by-law and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargoes will be surveyed daily from 8:00 AM to 11:30 AM and 12:00 Noon to 4:00 PM and Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

No Claims against these vessels will be admitted after the Claims Day.

AGENCY DEPARTMENT

No.55/61, Strand Road, Yangon, Myanmar.

Phone No: 01-201787, 201790 (Ext: 108,109)

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV KOTA RATU VOY NO (419)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA RATU VOY NO (419) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 6.2.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: M/S ADVANCE CONTAINER
LINES

Phone No: 256908/378316/376797

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV HANSEDUO VOY NO (003)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV HANSEDUO VOY NO (003) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 6.2.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.P where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

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A flight check-in information board stands at the Delhi Metro Airport Express Line station in New Delhi, India, on 5 Feb, 2011. The metro line linking New Delhi Metro Station to the Indira Gandhi International Airport began services Saturday and plan to offer passengers the facility to check-in at metro stations.

INTERNET

‘Fat cancers’ also hitting developing nations

ATLANTA, 5 Feb — “Fat cancers” usually associated with wealthy countries are becoming more common in the developing world, too, according to new reports. Obese people are thought to be at higher risk for many so-called “fat cancers,” including breast and colon cancer. A separate report out Friday shows obesity rates worldwide have doubled in the last three decades, especially in the West but also nearly

everywhere else.

“Sadly, changing ways of life, such as reduced physical activity, are making people unhealthier and in turn prone to such diseases as cancer,” Dr. Eduardo Czap, president of the Union for International Cancer Control, said in a statement released by the World Health Organization.

For decades, health officials have worried about the impact of cigarette smoking — another nasty habit common in industrialized countries — on lung cancer deaths in developing countries.

But now, they say, it's becoming increasingly urgent that those nations also do something about overeating and poor health habits. The WHO on Friday recommended 2 hours a week of moderate physical activity for reducing the risk of breast and colon cancers.

Internet

Snails sniff out pollution levels

ST PETERSBURG, 5 Feb — Russian scientists are using giant African snails to monitor pollution from a sewage incinerator. They are attached to sensors that

will show them getting sick if they take in too much bad air at the St Petersburg waterworks.

Some environmentalists say it is a publicity stunt but waterworks company Vodokanal says the 8in-long snails can detect compounds produced in concentrations too low for conventional gauges to detect. The same company is also using crayfish to monitor the quality of city water.

Internet



Snails are being used to sniff out pollution in Russia.— INTERNET

Sumatran tiger mauls worker to death

JAKARTA, 5 Feb — A rare Sumatran tiger has mauled an Indonesian man to death Amir, a morgue officer at Jambi's Public Hospital, said on Friday that the body of a 52-year-old plantation worker called Ketani was found in southern Sumatra. He says the victim's fellow workers told him that Ketani had spotted the tiger on Thursday near their lodgings on the

plantation.

He had shouted at the others to flee, but as he was running he fell and was attacked by the animal. Indonesia is home to some 400 Sumatran tigers, which are on the brink of extinction because of rapid deforestation, poaching and clashes with people.

Internet

Escaped snake found on subway

BOSTON, 5 Feb — Transit officials say a three-foot-long boa constrictor that slithered away from its owner on a Boston subway car a month ago was found on an adjoining car on yesterday.

A commuter spotted Penelope the snake and alerted a train attendant. The snake was captured and reunited with her owner, 30-year-old Melissa Moorhouse.

Internet



Jon ‘Super’ Squibb, right, reacts after being declared the winner of the Wing Bowl as Bill ‘El Wingador’ Simmons looks on in Philadelphia, on 4 Feb, 2011. Squibb ate 255 chicken wings in the allotted time to win the 19th annual Wing Bowl eating contest, beating out five-time champ Simmons by a single wing.— INTERNET

‘Blondes only’ paradise in Maldives

LONDON, 5 Feb — A Lithuanian company has unveiled plans to build a “fantasy resort” staffed only by blondes in the Maldives. The Maldives requires foreign developers to hire at least 50% local staff but Olialia brand manager Lauryna Anuseviciute says “staff who are not blonde will wear a blonde wig to make everyone look similar”.

She insists Olialia already has secured financing but Maldives tourism officials say they have not received any details about the resort and have not issued any permits.—Internet



A resort in the Maldives would be staffed entirely by blondes.

INTERNET

Fugitive sought in Arizona slaying caught in Argentina

WASHINGTON, 5 Feb — Paul Merle Eischeid, one of the US Marshals Service's “15 Most Wanted” fugitives, is no longer on the run. Argentine authorities captured Eischeid, 39, on Thursday in Buenos Aires, according to the US Department of Justice.

Federal law enforcement officials added Eischeid to the most wanted list in 2007 when

he fled after his arrest in a 2001 slaying that the Marshals Service called one of the “most grisly” in recent American criminal history.

The Marshals Service originally apprehended Eischeid — described in a Justice Department statement as a former stockbroker and member of the Hells Angels motorcycle gang — in 2007 for questioning in the

2001 killing of 44-year-old Cynthia Garcia of Phoenix.

Garcia was attacked while attending a party at the Hells Angels' clubhouse in Mesa, Arizona, severely beaten, thrown in the trunk of a car and taken to the desert, where she was stabbed and left to die, said David Gonzales, US marshal for the Arizona District.

Internet



General view of the exhibition "110 years of automobiles" is seen at the Grand Palais in Paris 3 Feb, 2011. To mark the 110th anniversary of the Salon de l'auto, the Grand Palais is staging an exhibition of vintage cars, followed by an outstanding sale of historic cars organised by Bonhams auction house on 5 February.

Eighth car in six years damages home

A Canadian man said a car slid through the intersection near his home and damaged his house, marking the eighth such incident in the past six years. Bruce Osiowy of Regina, Saskatchewan, said the car slid through the Campbell Street and Fourth Avenue intersection Thursday and plowed into his car, which was in the driveway, propelling the parked vehicle through his garage door, the *Regina Leader-Post* reported Friday.

Osiowy said it was the eighth time a car from the intersection, where there is a stop sign, has been involved in a crash on his property in the past six years.

"A couple of speed bumps could solve the problem in a hurry," he said. "It's an absolute no-brainer."



A Japanese magician performs magic tricks with an iPad in Tokyo, Japan, on 1 Feb, 2011.

Artificial heart stolen from office

Police in Ohio said they were searching for an artificial heart stolen from the office of a company that was in the process of moving.

Beachwood police Detective Mike Nelson said the heart and about \$10,000 worth of blood pump parts were taken from the former office of Perfusion Solution between 1 Dec and 17 Jan, *The (Cleveland) Sun News* reported on Thursday. Thomas Weber, chief executive officer of Perfusion Solutions, said the company stopped doing business at the former office 1 Dec but many objects remained as the rent was paid through 17 Jan.

News Album

Patients get pans and spoons to call help

A Swedish hospital has become so overcrowded that young patients have been given pans and spoons as a substitute for emergency buzzers, a union says.

The Swedish Association for Health Professionals said the pans and spoons were issued in the children's ward at Ostra Hospital in Gothenburg to cheer them up, *The Local* reported. Hospital employees purchased bells at a hardware store for adult patients because there are not enough emergency buzzers for all.

All nine hospitals with emergency rooms in western Sweden are desperately overcrowded, a report by the Swedish National Board of Health and Welfare said. Maria Tenggren, a union official and employee at Sahlgrenska University Hospital in Gothenburg, said the hospitals "long ago passed the limit of what is acceptable."

"We have for years nagged about the problem of overcrowding, but nothing happens," she said.

Conn man asks cops about growing pot, is arrested

Police say a Connecticut man called 911 to ask a dispatcher how much trouble he could get into by growing one marijuana plant, then was arrested. Farmington police say a dispatcher told 21-year-old Robert Michelson on Thursday night that he could get arrested for growing pot, and Michelson said thank you and hung up.

Officers went to Michelson's house and seized a small amount of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. Michelson has admitted he bought seeds and equipment for growing. Michelson was released on \$5,000 bail after being charged with marijuana possession and other crimes. A woman who answered the phone at his home Friday said he wasn't available for comment.

Justin Bieber to appear on Saturday Night Live

LOS ANGELES, 5 Feb—Justin Bieber will make a surprise appearance on "Saturday Night Live" this weekend, *The Hollywood Reporter* has learned.

It is his second appearance on US network NBC's sketch comedy show.

He was a musical guest on an April 2010 show, performing two songs and also appearing in two sketches with guest host Tina Fey.

His latest SNL stint comes two days after Bieber appeared on US cable network Comedy



Canadian singer Justin Bieber arrives for the premiere of the 3D film "Justin Bieber: Never Say Never" in New York 2 Feb, 2011.

Central's "The Daily Show," sitting in place of host Jon Stewart.

Bieber's new movie, "Never Say Never," opens nationwide on 11 February.—*Internet*

Africa's biggest film fest takes aim at piracy

OUAGADOUGOU, 5 Feb—Africa's biggest film festival will stress the threat from pirated movies when it opens in the capital of Burkina Faso on 26 February with 475 films being shown, its organizer said Friday.

"The cultural AIDS which is piracy is slowly killing our cinema industry," Michel Ouedraogo told a Press conference.

But he hailed the fact that the number of entries far exceeded the 300 expected, and praised the participation of countries with struggling industries such as Madagascar, Niger, Tanzania, Tunisia and Zimbabwe.

The Panafrican Film and Television Festival of Ouagadougou, or FESPACO, which this year runs to 5 March, is a two-yearly event gathering thousands of fans from across the continent and the African diaspora.

Eighteen feature films are competing for the top prize, the Etalon d'Or de Yennenga or Golden



The Panafrican Cinema and Television Festival of Ouagadougou (FESPACO) headquarter's. FESPACO, Africa's biggest film festival, will stress the threat from pirated movies when it opens in the capital of Burkina Faso on 26 February with 475 films being shown, its organiser said Friday.—INTERNET

Stallion of Yennenga, which was won in 2009 by Ethiopian Haile Guerima's "Teza."

There are other sections for movies made by Africans from outside the continent, documentaries, films made for television and shorts.—*Internet*

Bruno Mars gets date for Vegas cocaine plea deal

LAS VEGAS, 5 Feb—Pop star Bruno Mars told a Las Vegas judge Friday that he'll plead guilty in state court on Valentine's Day to a felony cocaine charge that would be wiped from his record if he stays out of trouble for a year.

Mars, whose real name is Peter Hernandez, and a trio of defence lawyers agreed not to contest police accounts that he possessed 2.6 grams of cocaine when he was arrested early 19 Sept after a Las Vegas nightclub performance.

Las Vegas Justice of the Peace Joseph Sciscento set the 14 Feb date for his plea — the day after the 53rd Grammy Awards show in Los Angeles.

The 25-year-old singer-songwriter is nominated for seven Grammy awards including best male pop vocal.—*Internet*



Peter Hernandez, aka Bruno Mars, centre, appears in court to waive an evidentiary hearing for a felony cocaine possession charge and receive a date in state court for a plea, on 4 Feb, 2011, in Las Vegas.

INTERNET



China's Cai Xuetong (L) and Li Shuang pose with the Chinese national flag after the women's halfpipe final of snowboard competition at the Erzurum 2011 Winter Universiade in Erzurum, Turkey, 4 Feb, 2011.—INTERNET

China pockets one gold, one bronze on snowboard

ERZURUM, 5 Feb—Cai Xuetong won the third gold medal for China from the women's snowboard halfpipe event on Friday at the 25th World Winter Universiade here.

Xue, the winner of the 2009 world youth championships, won the two-round competition by 26.8 points, ahead of France's Sophie Rodriguez, who had 23.7. Chinese Li Shuang won the bronze by 22.8.

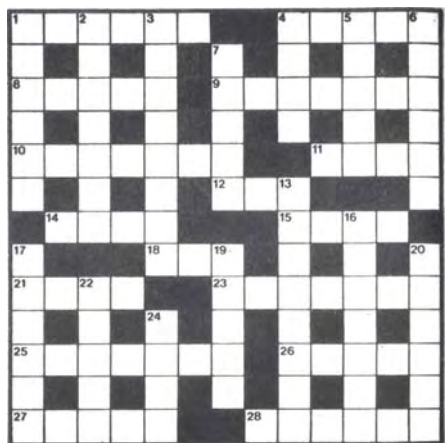
The Chinese men's surfers were much

unstable on the snow as none of the three athletes could complete smoothly. Zhang Yiwei finished the fourth as the best.

Japanese Ryo Aono and Kazuomi Fujita finished 1-2 with Jim Ho-Jun of South Korea took the bronze.

France's Candice Didier won the gold medal in the Ladies Figure Skating though she finished fourth in the free skating by 89.68 points. She collected 144.08 in total.—Xinhua

CROSSWORDS PUZZLE



ACROSS

- 1 Sell narcotics illegally
- 4 Recurring series
- 8 Lukewarm
- 9 Gap
- 10 View
- 11 Ensign
- 12 Faint
- 14 Eagerly expectant
- 15 Absent
- 18 Transgression
- 21 Portent
- 23 Flexible
- 25 Fishing
- 26 Children
- 27 Harvest
- 28 Spiritualist meeting

DOWN

- 1 Draught
- 2 Immersing
- 3 Digs
- 4 Masticate
- 5 Unpleasantly cold
- 6 Take into employment
- 7 Tied
- 13 Powder-room
- 16 Mechanic
- 17 Nature study
- 19 Whinny
- 20 Assent to policy
- 22 Bird of prey
- 24 Considerate

SPORTS

Match previews - Sun 6th Feb 2011

A look ahead to Sunday's fixtures in the Barclays Premier League.

The weekend's round of matches finishes with two appetising Barclays Premier League fixtures. In a massive bottom-of-the-table showdown, West Ham United host Birmingham City at Upton Park.

And the day is rounded off with an eagerly-anticipated encounter which sees Chelsea's new striker Fernando Torres face his old club Liverpool - just five days after leaving Anfield.

Chelsea



vs



Liverpool

Matches between these teams are always hotly contested affairs but this fixture has some added spice with former Liverpool favourite Torres lining up for the Blues.

All eyes will be on the Spain striker after his shock £50m move on Monday's transfer deadline day.

Both clubs have hit form, winning their last three league matches, as they bid to recover from disappointing starts to the season.

Kenny Dalglish's Liverpool can do the double over the West London outfit following a 2-0 triumph at Anfield earlier in the campaign.

West Ham



vs



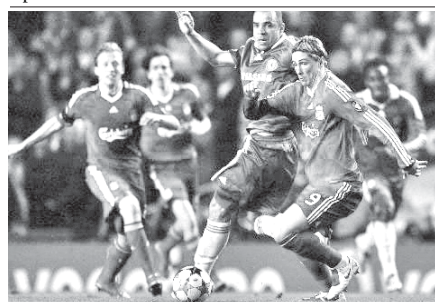
Birmingham

Only goal difference separates these sides who lie in the bottom four and are scrapping to avoid relegation.

They match-up for the fourth time this season after last week's Carling Cup semi-final second leg which saw Birmingham claim a place in the final.

West Ham, whose midweek win over Blackpool moved them out of the drop zone, will be on a revenge mission.

The Hammers' win over Blackpool was their first in the last four league outings. Birmingham have just one success in their last 10 league visits to Upton Park.—Internet



Liverpool were victorious over Chelsea when the sides met at Anfield.—INTERNET

Stoke City 3-2 Sunderland



Stoke City twice came from behind to beat Sunderland in Saturday's early kick-off.

A second-half double from Robert Huth helped Stoke come from behind to claim a 3-2 win at home to Sunderland.

The Black Cats appeared to be moving to within four points of the Champions League places after Asamoah Gyan's ninth goal of the season put them

2-1 up early in the second half.

But Huth claimed an equaliser seven minutes from time after John Carew had cancelled out Kieran Richardson's second-minute opener just after the half-hour, and the German then slid home the winner in stoppage time to stun the visitors.—Internet

BARCLAYS PREMIER LEAGUE

Saturday 5th February 2011.

Stoke City	3-2	Sunderland
Aston Villa	2-2	Fulham
Everton	5-3	Blackpool
Man City	3-0	WBA
Newcastle	4-4	Arsenal
Tottenham	2-1	Bolton
Wigan	4-3	Blackburn
Wolves	2-1	Man Utd

Gainey, Wilson lead frosty Phoenix Open



Tommy Gainey hits his tee shot on the 16th hole during the second round of the Phoenix Open PGA golf tournament.

INTERNET

SCOTTS DALE, 5 Feb — At the frosty Phoenix Open, it was fitting that a guy called "Tommy Two Gloves" had a share of the lead. Not that Tommy Gainey thinks the extra glove really helps in cold conditions.

"I don't necessarily think it's an advantage when it's real cold, and I'll tell you why, because when the temperature started dropping, I mean, my hands, even though I had the gloves on, they were still freezing," Gainey said.—Internet

Henry happy with Carroll fee

LONDON, 5 Feb — Liverpool owner John W Henry insisted on Friday he had no qualms about splashing out a big fee for Newcastle striker Andy Carroll so long as the club emerged 15 million pounds (20 million dollars) up on the sale of Fernando Torres to champions Chelsea.

The Reds' decision to splash out £35 million on Carroll, still in only his first Premier League season, raised eyebrows but Henry said the fee was always contingent upon the money they

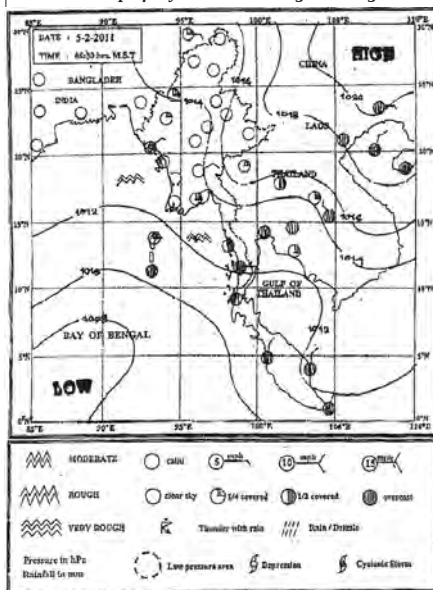
received for Torres.

"The fee for Torres was dependent on what Newcastle asked for Carroll," Henry told The Guardian ahead of a weekend clash with Chelsea that could see the forward make a debut for his new club against the one he's just left.—Internet



Newcastle striker Andy Carroll(R)

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Saturday, 5th February, 2011

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T.
 During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Upper Sagaing and Taninthayi Regions, Kachin, Northern Shan and Rakhine States, generally fair in the remaining Regions and States. Night temperatures were (3°C) above February average temperature in Mon State and (7°C) below February average temperatures in Upper Sagaing Region and Chin State, (3°C) to (4°C) below February average temperatures in Mandalay Region, Kachin and Northern Shan States and about February average temperatures in the remaining Regions and States. The significant night temperatures were Haka (-1°C), Mogoke and Lashio (2°C) each and Namhsan, Pinlaung, Heho and Pyin Oo Lwin (4°C) each.

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 4-2-2011 was 91°F. Minimum temperature on 5-2-2011 was 57°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 5-2-2011 was (65%). Rainfall on 5-2-2011 was (Nil).

Yangon (Kaba-Aye)

Maximum temperature on 4-2-2011 was 92°F. Minimum temperature on 5-2-2011 was 62°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 5-2-2011 was (59%). Total sunshine hours on 4-2-2011 was (10) hours (Approx).

Rainfall on 5-2-2011 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2011 was (1.97) inches at Mingaladon (1.89) inches at Kaba-Aye and

(3.54) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (5) mph from North at (12:30) hours MST on 4-2-2011.

Bay Inference: According to the observations at (12:30) hrs MST today, the low pressure area over Southwest Bay and adjoining Sri Lanka Coast still persist. Weather is partly cloudy to cloudy in the Southwest Bay and partly cloudy in the Andaman Sea and Southeast Bay and generally fair elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 6th February 2011: Light rain are possible to be isolated in Taninthayi Region, weather will be partly cloudy in Kachin, Shan and Mon States and generally fair in the remaining Regions and States. Degree of certainty is (40%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of isolated light rain in the extreme Southern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 6-2-2011: Generally fair weather.

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 6-2-2011: Generally fair weather.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 6-2-2011: Generally fair weather.

Weather outlook for second weekend of February 2011: During the coming weekend, weather will be generally fair in Nay Pyi Taw and Mandalay Region and partly cloudy in Yangon Region.

Tulsa residents trapped by snow four days after storm

TULSA, 5 Feb—Marnie Fernandez had four children and a sick husband at home Friday but almost no milk or toilet paper. The blizzard that dumped 20 inches of snow, sleet and ice on Tulsa on Tuesday still had the area paralyzed, and while Fernandez had her driveway shoveled, several inches of snow and higher drifts blocked the streets of her neighbourhood. She had only a few granola bars and fruit snacks for the kids and worried that a new storm would collapse her roof. Looking outside, she watched water leak through the lights on the roof's overhang as it started to snow again.

"I've never seen anything like this where people literally can't get out of their houses," said Fernandez, 39, who's lived in Oklahoma most of her life. "You just realize you're not in control and you're at the mercy of Mother Nature."

Internet



Tim Houchin walks in the snow to work downtown, on 1 Feb, 2011 in Tulsa, Okla. Blizzard conditions struck the Tulsa area stranding motorists and shutting down much of the city.—INTERNET

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL
Programme Schedule
(6-2-2011) (Sunday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	- (09:00am~11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission	- (6-2-11 09:30 am ~ 7-2-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Residing in the Union withUnion spirit (Kayah State)
- * News
- * The Beauty of Zwegabain and Livelihood of Kayin National
- * Great Artist U Lun Kyawe & His Prolific Art
- * News
- * Young Champions of this Generation
- * Songs for you
- * News
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- * Yuzana Plaza
- * News
- * 100 Shuttle Silk Fabric and its Key Notes
- * "Easily Cooked & Tasty Dishes" Eggplant Curry
- * News
- * With the Gentle Breeze...
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Unique Style of Kachin Dress
- * Urbanized Kachin Traditional Cuisines
- * Buddha Sasana Flourishes in Bawdhitthaung
- * Around Bagan by Pony Cart (Ananda Temple)
- * News
- * Myanmar Teak in Higher Demand
- * The glory of Maha-Muni Buddha Image, at dawn
- * Myanmar Movies "The Spouse And The Lover"

Myanmar

TV

Sunday,
6 February
View on today

- 7:00 am
1. Paritta By Venerable Min Gun Sayadaw
- 7:10 am
2. Dhamma Puja Song
- 7:25 am
3. To Be Healthy Exercise
- 7:30 am
4. Morning News
- 7:50 am
5. Nice & Sweet Song
- 7:55 am
6. Health Programme

- 8:00 am
7. (38) Phyar Mingalars
- 8:10 am
8. Myanmar Traditional Culture Performing Arts Competitions
- 8:20 am
9. Teleplay (Health)
- 8:30 am
10. 64th Anniversary Union Day Programme
- 8:40 am
11. International News
- 8:45 am
12. Musical Programme
- 11:00 am
1. Martial Song
- 11:10 am
2. 64th Anniversary Union Day Programme

- 11:20 am
3. Round Up Of The Week's International News
- 11:30 am
4. TV Drama Series
- 12:10 pm
5. Golf Magazine (TV)
- 12:20 pm
6. Myanmar Movies
- 2:35 pm
7. 64th Anniversary Union Day Programme
- 2:45 pm
8. International News
- 3:45 pm
1. Myanmar National League MNL Grand Royal Cup (2011) Football Competition (Live) (RakhapuraUnited

- FC & Yangon United FC)
- 5:45 pm
2. 64th Anniversary Union Day Programme
- 6:00 pm
3. Evening News
- 6:15 pm
4. Weather Report
- 6:20 pm
5. Cartoon Series
- 6:40 pm
6. Tamyethnar Takwetsar
- 7:00 pm
7. TV Drama Series
- 8:00 pm
8. News
9. International News
10. Weather Report
11. Union Day Programme
12. Cartoon Series
13. TV Drama Series
14. Yinhlainkhatthan Taythihan (Song Competition)

- ★ 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

HAILING 64TH ANNIVERSARY UNION DAY

Kachin State gaining development momentum in the time of State Peace and Development Council

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Keep taking regular strides democratically



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CARTOON

POEM

Unity the only means

- * With tolerance
Disagreements we cease
And hostilities also
Restore peace with honour
Having a heart of gold
Soul, the loving kindness
- * With forgiveness
Resentments we end

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SALINPHONE KYAW (Trs)

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Low pressure area over Southwest of Bay

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Feb—According to the observations at 17:30 hrs MST today, the low pressure area over Southwest Bay and adjoining Sri Lanka Coast still persists, announced Meteorology and Hydrology Department.—MNA

Significant night temperatures (5-2-2011)

Haka	(-1° C)
Mogok	(2° C)
Lashio	(2° C)
Namhsam	(4° C)
Pinlaung	(4° C)
Heho	(4° C)
PyinOoLwin	(4° C)

Kachin State gaining development momentum in the time of State Peace and Development Council

Colourful Kachin State

Kachin State lies at the northernmost part of Myanmar and covers an area of 34379.22 square miles. It is home to diverse national races such as Kachin, Bamar, Chin, Shan, Naga and so on who have been living in unity and amity. Kachin State is

thickly forested and mountainous region. The most prominent distinguishing feature of Kachin State is its snow-capped mountains; Mt. Khakaborazi (19,296 feet) and Mt. Ganlanyazi (19,142 feet) are also the highest mountains in Myanmar.

Kachin State also has vast plains—Hukaung Valley in Tanaikha basin at the downstream of Chindwin River, Putao Plain in Malikha basin, Myitkyina, Bhamo, and Indawgyi Lake, surrounding (See page 10)