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Duty of all national races

The people are working together with true patriotism to shape the Union of Myanmar into a peaceful, modern and developed nation. They are all under a duty to tackle any possible attempts of colonialists to break up the Union, aiding and abetting their minions.

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 63rd Anniversary Union Day)

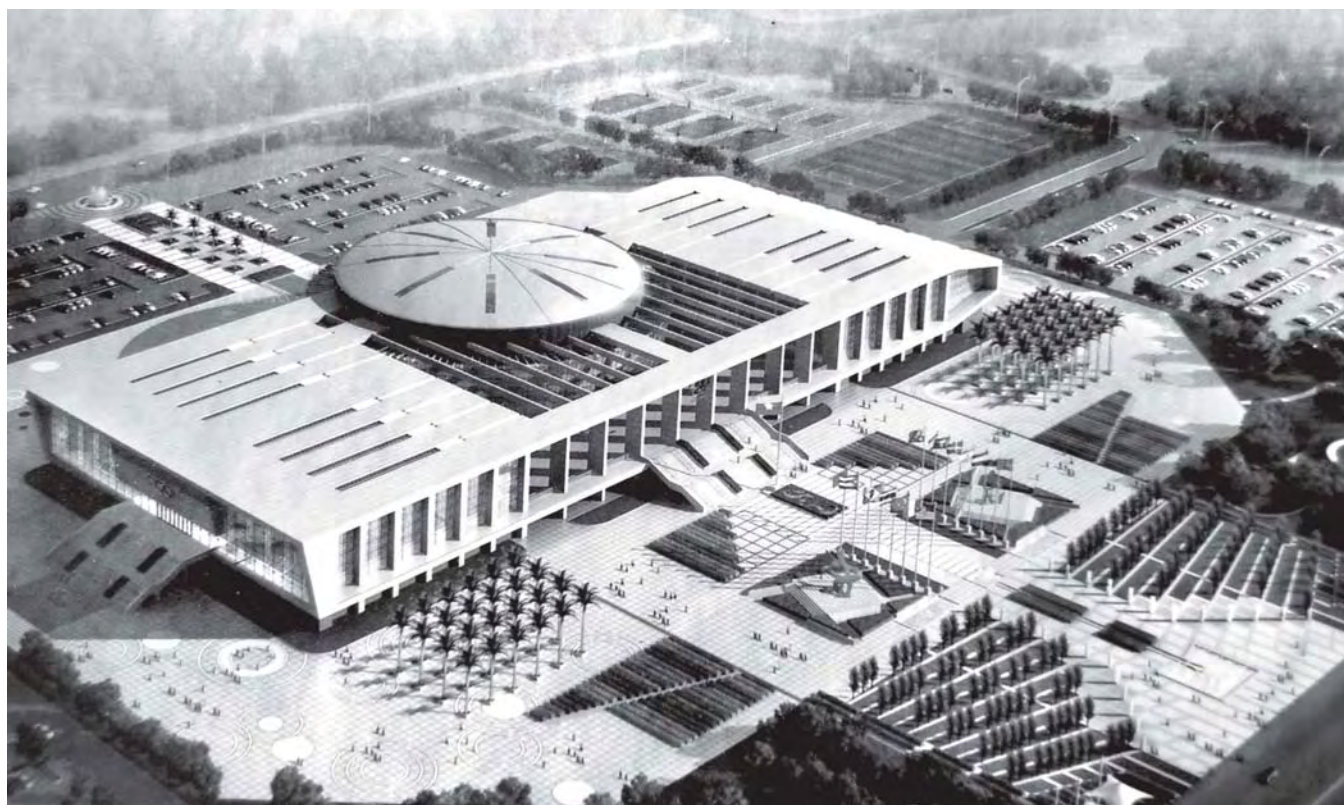
Stake driven for construction of Advanced Zeyathiri Stadium

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Feb — A ceremony to drive stake to launch Advanced Zeyathiri Stadium Project to be implemented by Max Myanmar Group of

Companies was held at the site for the stadium in Zeyathiri Township, Nay Pyi Taw District, this morning, attended by Quartermaster-General Maj-

Gen Wai Lwin of the Ministry of Defence.

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A scale model of Advanced Zeyathiri Stadium to be built by Max Myanmar Group of Companies in Zeyathiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw District.—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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Abide by traffic rules

The nation is enjoying cumulative development in all fields and roads have to cope with growing traffic. So, the government has been building highways and inter-district, inter-township and inter-village roads for smooth transport.

Due to increasing traffic, passengers and drivers have to honour traffic rules for road safety.

Traffic accidents happen very often due to failure to honour traffic rules, which claims lives. Data show that road accidents are largely due to reckless driving, drunk driving, aggressive driving, and pedestrians' reckless using of roads.

Drivers must avoid taking wrong traffic lanes and blocking traffic lanes. Drivers have to have their vehicles serviced regularly to avert technical problems while driving and to ensure that their vehicles meet all standards.

Now, talks, exhibitions and contests on traffic rules are being conducted for public knowledge with aim of reducing traffic accidents.

The people have to work every day for their basic needs. If they abide by traffic rules strictly, they will be free from road accidents.

8th Leprosy Elimination Day Commemoration Ceremony observed



Deputy Minister for Health Dr Paing Soe makes speech at ceremony to commemorate the 8th Leprosy Elimination Day.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Feb—Ministry of Health organized a ceremony to commemorate the 8th Leprosy Elimination Day at the ministry here today.

The commemorative ceremony was opened by Deputy Minister for Health Dr Paing Soe who delivered an opening speech.

In his speech during the commemorative ceremony to mark the leprosy elimination in Myanmar, Deputy Health Minister Dr Paing Soe said

Myanmar takes great pride in the country's achievement in the leprosy elimination goal since the end of January, 2003.

The country achieved the goal thanks to the efforts of the national leprosy program -me along with the international collaboration, including local authorities, health committees, NGOs in Myanmar, WHO, the Nippon Foundation,

Sasakawa Memorial Health Foundation, International Federation of Anti-leprosy Associations (ILEP), Novartis Foundation, the Leprosy Mission International (TLMi) and Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), National Centre for Global Health and Medicine (NCGM), under the directives of the Myanmar National Health Committee and supervision of the

Ministry of Health, the deputy minister said.

The leprosy was eliminated in the country as a public health problem since 2004. He also indicated that leprosy prevalence in Myanmar became less than one per 10,000 population, he said. The declaration for achievement of leprosy elimination status in Myanmar was announced at the Third World Leprosy Elimination Day held in Yangon from 6 to 8 February, 2003. The

People's Desire

- * Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views
- * Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation
- * Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State
- * Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy

Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of Ministry of Defence attends opening of Tawwin Centre and Cineplex

YANGON, 6 Feb — Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of the Ministry of Defence attended the opening of Tawwin Centre and Cineplex on Pyay Road, Dagon Township, here this morning.

The opening ceremony was also attended by Chairman of Yangon Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Tun Than and departmental officials.

First, the commander and a responsible person of Tawwin Family Co formally opened Tawwin Centre and Cineplex. Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe formally unveiled the signboard of Tawwin Centre, which is installed with communication systems, elevators and escalators, fire prevention system, air-



Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of Ministry of Defence visits Tawwin Centre.—MNA

con system and central control system. The centre has nine floors with three mini theatres, supermarket, playground, furniture showroom, fashion boutiques and shopping centre.

MNA

Singapore Education Road Show 2011 on 11 Feb

YANGON, 6 Feb—Singapore Education Road Show 2011 will be held at Summit Parkview Hotel on Ahlon road here on 11 February. Edu Trust certificated schools of Singapore will participate in the show.

It includes from Singaporean government primary, middle schools, degree, master programme to schools of engineering, computer, economics and statistics, media, design, motion picture, fine arts, music, medicine, hotels and tourism management schools and preparation course for US school's enrolment.

The students may discuss school enrolments with responsible persons of the respective schools, Talks on respective subjects by the schools will be given during the show. For more information, may register in advance at Crown Education (Ph-211888, Extension:228-229, 095085185, 0949293313 and 01-73040688.—MNA

commemorative ceremony is held in Myanmar on 6 February since 2004. He also pledged to continue to carry out the sustaining leprosy control activities as the transmission of the disease still prevails in the country.

In his speech, the deputy minister also urged leprosy patients and their families to take part in the rehabilitation, and called on the related ministries and NGOs to

continue to collaborate with the Ministry of Health for the sustainable elimination of the disease in Myanmar.

After the ceremony, the deputy minister and party visited the booths of leprosy elimination activities. The slogan of the 8th Leprosy Elimination Day is "Reduce the Leprosy Burden : Sustain Leprosy Control Activities."—MNA

New START treaty enters into force as US, Russia exchange ratification papers

MUNICH, 6 Feb—A new nuclear arms treaty between the United States and Russia that limits the number of atomic warheads the two former Cold War enemies are permitted to possess took effect Saturday.

US Secretary of

State Hillary Rodham Clinton and Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov exchanged instruments of ratification on the sidelines of the 47th Munich Security Conference. The New START treaty was approved by the US Senate in December after

President Barack Obama pressed strongly for its passage. Russia ratified the 10-year agreement, which can be extended by another five years, last month.

"We are aware that this treaty was born of our mutual understanding of the futility of a unilateral approach to security issues," Lavrov said.

Lavrov said the principles of parity, equality and undivided security stipulated by the New START treaty, negotiated last year, set a solid foundation for Russian-American cooperation in different areas.

Xinhua



Rescue workers and firefighters stand by their vehicles outside the Uricani coal mine in western Romania, on 5 Feb, 2011. Officials in Romania say that five miners are missing after an explosion in the coal mine in the Jiu Valley mining region, about 350 kilometers (220 miles) west of Bucharest.—INTERNET

Five Romanian coal miners killed in explosion

BUCHAREST, 6 Feb—Officials in Romania say that five miners died Saturday in an explosion at a coal mine.

The mayor of the town of Uricani, Dan Buhaescu, told Agerpres news agency the victims ranged in age from 30 to 35.

A labour department inspector in the western county of Hunedoara said the five were servicing an electric transformer when the explosion occurred Saturday.

Earlier, rescue teams headed to the mine in the Jiu Valley mining region, about 350 kilometers (220 miles) west of Bucharest and later pulled out the remains of the miners. About 800 miners are employed at the mine, which is due to be shut down by 2018.—Internet

Six dead, two injured in fighting against forest fire in east China



Medical staff transfer an injured person in a hospital in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province, on 5 Feb, 2011.—XINHUA

HANGZHOU, 6 Feb—Six fire fighters were killed, with another two injured in fighting against a forest fire in Chun'an County, east China's Zhejiang Province as of Saturday evening.

A forest fire started in Fulin Village in Chun'an County on Saturday morning. About 300 people including those from the local fire control station and villagers were involved in the firefighting.

The cause of the fire was still under investigation.—Xinhua

Fires and floods hammer Australia



A beachfront home lies in ruins, on 5 February, after Cyclone Yasi devastated the coastal hamlet of Hull Heads.—INTERNET

PERTH, 6 Feb—Wildfires threatened homes and new flooding forced evacuations in embattled Australia, as officials warned that last week's monster cyclone would compound economic woes.

Hot and gusty conditions whipped up by Cyclone Yasi, a top-level tropical storm that ripped into Australia's northeast coast Thursday, fanned an out-of-control blaze on the outskirts of Perth on Sunday, endangering about 20 homes.

"The bushfire is moving fast in a northwesterly direction. It is out of control and unpredictable," the Fire and Emergency Services Authority in western Australia said in a statement.—Internet

Afghan skirmishes kill 16 militants, two NATO soldiers

KABUL, 6 Feb—Continued conflicts and Taliban-led militancy have claimed the lives of 16 militants and two NATO soldiers in Afghanistan since Friday.

The latest Taliban-linked activities left two soldiers with the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) dead on Saturday, the military alliance confirmed in a statement released here.

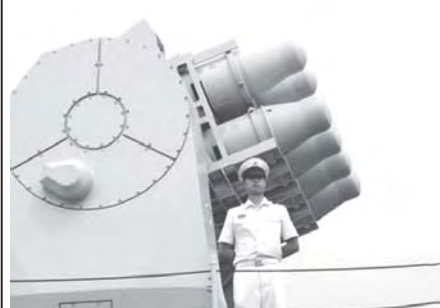
"Two International Security Assistance Force service members died following separate Improvised Explosive Device (IED) attacks in southern Afghanistan today," the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) confirmed in the statement.

However, it did not reveal the nationalities of the victims, saying it is the ISAF policy to defer casualty identification procedures to the relevant national authorities. Troops mainly from the US, Britain, Canada and Australia have been stationed in the southern region within the framework of ISAF to fight Taliban militants.

Xinhua

Afghan policemen are seen at the scene of a car bomb explosion in Kandahar south of Kabul, Afghanistan on 4 Feb, 2011.

INTERNET



A sailor of China's missile frigate which saw action in Somalia against pirates, is seen as the ship anchors at the international port in Manila, in 2010. A Chinese-flagged commercial ship reportedly hijacked by Somali pirates was safe and being escorted by anti-piracy naval vessels, according to state Press.—INTERNET

Chinese vessel 'not hijacked': state media

BEIJING, 6 Feb—A Chinese-flagged commercial ship reportedly hijacked by Somali pirates was safe and being escorted by anti-piracy naval vessels, according to state press.

The ship had not been hijacked off the Yemeni coast, Xinhua news agency reported on Sunday, citing the China Maritime Search and Rescue Centre.

A Chinese naval fleet working as part of an international anti-piracy force in waters off Yemen was "safely" escorting the ship, it said.

Yemen's interior ministry said Saturday that Somali pirates had hijacked the "Tien Hau" off Yemen's western port of Al-Hudaydah.

China's military attaché to Yemen, earlier quoted by Xinhua, had also confirmed the apparent hijacking.

Heavily armed pirates using speedboats operate in the Gulf of Aden where they prey on ships, often holding vessels for weeks before releasing them for large ransoms paid by governments or ship-owners.—Internet



This file photo shows a barren section of Australia's Great Barrier Reef. Hammered by a monster cyclone just weeks after flooding spewed toxic waste into its pristine waters, Australia's Great Barrier Reef could face a slow recovery due to climate change, experts warn.—INTERNET

Will Apophis hit Earth in 2036? NASA rejects Russian report

NEW YORK, 6 Feb—In 2004, NASA scientists announced that there was a chance that Apophis, an asteroid larger than two football fields, could smash into Earth in 2029. A few additional observations and some number-crunching later, astronomers noted that the chance of the planet-killer hitting Earth in 2029 was nearly zilch.

Now, reports out of Russia say that scientists there estimate Apophis

will collide with Earth on 13 April, 2036. These reports conflict on the probability of such a doomsday event, but the question remains: How scared should we be?

"Technically, they're correct, there is a chance in 2036" said Donald Yeomans, head of NASA's Near-Earth Object Programme Office. However, that chance is just 1-in-250,000, Yeomans said. The Russian scientists

are basing their predictions of a collision on the chance that the 900-foot-long (270 meters) Apophis will travel through what's called a gravitational keyhole as it passes by Earth in 2029. The gravitational keyhole they mention is a precise region in space, only slightly larger than the asteroid itself, in which the effect of Earth's gravity is such that it could tweak Apophis' path.

Internet

In virtual space, mock Mars mission 'arrives' at Red Planet

MOSCOW, 6 Feb—A 520-day attempt to simulate an entire mission to Mars has hit a major milestone, "arriving" in mock orbit around a mock Red Planet after months of virtual interplanetary flight.

The Mars500 mission "spacecraft" — actually a collection of sealed habitats in Moscow — entered a simulated orbit phase around the Red Planet on Tuesday (1 Feb), according to the European Space Agency. Three of the craft's six crewmembers, all of whom are volunteers, will "land" on Mars on 12 Feb to make three deployments onto simulated Martian terrain, ESA officials said.

Mars500 — a \$15 million joint experiment by ESA, Russia and China — aims to study the complex psychological and technical challenges that must be solved for long spaceflights, officials have said. The project has been running for more than eight months in a mock spacecraft at the Institute of Biomedical Problems in Moscow.

Internet

Radioactivity affects bird brain size

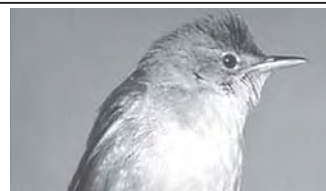
MOSCOW, 6 Feb—Researchers say birds living near the site of the Chernobyl nuclear power plant, which exploded in 1986, have smaller brains than normal.

Researchers discovered that birds living in the exclusion zone near the abandoned power plant have brains 5 percent smaller than those living elsewhere in the region, the BBC reported. Researchers from Norway, France and the United States made the

discovery and published the findings in the journal *PloS One*.

They studied 550 birds from 48 species and linked the smaller brain size to background radiation near the failed reactor. Researchers also said the number of mammals within the exclusion zone is declining, as is insect diversity.

The researchers also discovered a method to predict which species are most severely damaged by radioactive



Marsh warblers are one of the species affected.

INTERNET

contamination by determining how often they renew parts of their DNA.

Internet



Technology



Take that, Google! Microsoft restores H.264 video support in chrome

WASHINGTON, 6 Feb—Weeks after Google dropped Chrome browser support for H.264 videos, Microsoft has restored the playback option for Windows users by releasing its own Chrome extension.

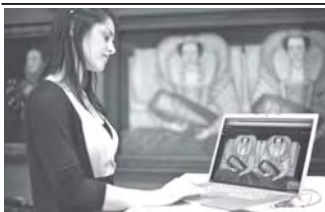
The Windows Media Player HTML5 Extension for Chrome lets Windows 7 users play H.264 videos in a Google Chrome browser. Microsoft already has similar extensions for Firefox and Internet Explorer users.

"We believe that Windows customers should be able to play mainstream HTML5 video," said Claudio Caldato, Principal Programme

Manager, Interoperability Strategy Team, in a blog post.

"H.264 is an excellent and widely-used video format that serves the web very well today. As such, we will continue to ensure that developers and customers continue to have an optimal Web experience."

In mid-January, Google unexpectedly pulled Chrome browser support for H.264 videos, citing the need to focus on open codec technologies like WebM (VP8) and Theora, instead of closed standards. The format war heated up when Microsoft exec Tim Sneath wrote a satirical open letter to Google, likening the search giant to a language dictator.—Internet



Tate Britain press officer Jenny Craig poses in front of "The Cholmondeley Ladies" while looking at the digital version of the image on the new "Google Art Project" website, at the Tate Britain in London, on 1 February, 2011.—INTERNET

Start-up Twitter Counter acquires Twitaholic

WASHINGTON, 6 Feb—Twitter Counter, a small start-up company in Amsterdam, today announced it had acquired a competing site Twitaholic for an undisclosed amount. Both sites allow Twitter users to see statistics related to their account, such as how many other Twitter account holders are following them.

Of the two, Twitter Counter has always been the more vigorous organization, offering more thorough statistics, such as customized graphs that show changes over time in the number of followers, number of tweets (or posts to the microblogging Web site), number of people being followed, and more. Twitter Counter turns a profit by selling access to certain levels of data in a tiered pricing scheme, starting

at \$15 per month. It has attracted big-name clients along the lines of Facebook and PayPal.

On the other hand, Twitaholic (formerly called Twitterholic until a trademark infringement caused it to change its name) offered little more than a list of the most popular people on Twitter based on how many followers they have. Still, Twitter Counter saw that the site garnered good traffic. "They seemed to have a loyal following but didn't innovate as fast as we did and didn't seem to have an obvious business model besides displaying some Google ads," said Twitter Counter co-founder Boris Veldhuijzen van Zanten about Twitaholic, writing for The Next Web Entrepreneur.—Internet

Internet helps museums net new art lovers

LONDON, 6 Feb—The world's great museums are increasingly using the Internet and social networking sites to pique the interest of people who might never think of setting foot in an art exhibition.

At a click of a mouse, some of the greatest galleries in the world can come to life in a way that has hitherto been near-impossible when seen with the naked eye.

The launch of the Google Art

project, taking the cameras used in its Street View site through the doors of 17 museums including MoMA in New York and the National Gallery in London, is the just the latest move into the Internet.

The State Hermitage in Saint Petersburg, Amsterdam's Rijksmuseum and another London heavyweight, Tate Britain, are among the institutions whose selected artworks can be seen in incredible detail.—Internet



Visitors are seen near Sharp LCD TV displays at the Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas, Nevada.—INTERNET

Health

Leisure as important as cholesterol

BUFFALO, 6 Feb—All work and no play not only “makes Jack a dull boy,” it makes him an unhealthy one, US researchers suggest.

Leisure expert Dr E Christine Moll of Canisius College in Buffalo, NY, says play is as important to one's health as keeping cholesterol levels in check and getting regular exercise.

“When was the last time you did something just for fun or just for the health of it?” Moll asked in a statement. “If your answer is ‘I read a book a year ago,’ then you need to do more.”

Moll defines leisure as anything that brings personal enjoyment and allows for recharging one's batteries, but that does not include watching a child play sports.

“That is an aspect of parenting, not leisure,” Canisius researcher Summer M Reiner says in a statement. “Parents need to develop their own

leisure interests.”

Reiner examined the role leisure plays through life and the findings show that people who nurture leisure activities throughout their lives have a much healthier outlook physically, mentally, emotionally, socially and in their sense of selves.

In addition, the findings published in *Counseling Today*, show children who actively participate in leisure activities tend to grow into confident, active and satisfied adults.

Leisure can include anything from a crossword puzzle to a pickup game of basketball, but the activity must be freely chosen; provide satisfaction and adventure; arouse interest; require a commitment; serve as a sense of separation or escape and, most important, be pleasurable, Moll says.

Internet

Child's heart valve implanted via leg

PORTLAND, 6 Feb—A few US hospitals can implant a pulmonary heart valve in children without open-heart surgery, instead snaking it up a leg, doctors say.

Oregon Health & Science University Doernbecher Children's Hospital in Portland is one of a handful of US health centers qualified to implant a pulmonary heart valve through the leg.

The device — called the Medtronic Melody Transcatheter Pulmonary Valve — has recently been approved by the US Food and Drug Administration for this use.

“The remarkable thing about this procedure is that the valve is placed into the beating heart through a vein in the patient's leg,” Dr Laurie Armsby says in a statement. —Internet

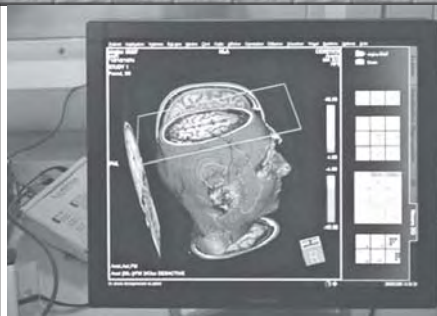


Photo illustration of a brain scan. Human brains have shrunk over the past 30,000 years, puzzling scientists who argue it is not a sign we are growing dumber but that evolution is making the key motor leaner and more efficient.—INTERNET

Health tip: Why diabetics can become hyperglycemic

It's important for diabetics to keep their blood sugar (glucose) levels stable. That means taking all medication as prescribed, and following a healthy lifestyle.

When blood glucose levels become too high, the medical condition is called hyperglycemia. The American Diabetes Association offers this list of potential causes:

- If you're a type 1 diabetic, getting insufficient insulin.
- If you're a type 2 diabetic, the insulin your body produces may not be processed effectively.
- Overeating, or lack of exercise.
- Having an illness or infection.
- Being under emotional stress.—Internet



Bangladeshi people wait at a Dhaka hospital in September 2009. At least 15 people have died in an outbreak of Nipah virus in a remote northern Bangladesh town as the deadly disease returned to the country, an official said Saturday.

INTERNET

Business

Girl Scouts trim cookie menu

NEW YORK, 6 Feb—The Girl Scouts of the USA said it would trim its lineup of cookies this year, dropping Duce De Leche and Thank U Berry Munch in some key markets.

“The decision to make the fewer cookies is not based on the economy” CNN quoted a spokeswoman, Michelle Tompkins, as saying. “It was a business decision made a couple of years ago.”

Cookie sales have grown into a \$714 million annual business for the Girl Scouts. They are made by ABC Bakers, which will keep the full menu, and Little Brownie Bakers, which is cutting back on the varieties offered.—Internet



People pass a stall selling chilli peppers at a market in Jakarta on 4 Feb, 2011. In Indonesia, where even the price of chilis has soared, the government suspended import duties on key food items after inflation hit an annual rate of seven percent in January.—INTERNET

Sunbeam recalls 5,700 clothes irons

WASHINGTON, 6 Feb — Household appliance maker Sunbeam Products Inc of Boca Raton, Fla, is recalling 5,700 clothes irons due to a fire hazard, a federal watchdog agency said.

The convertible irons were imported from China and can overheat due to a wiring problem, the US Consumer Product Safety Commission said.

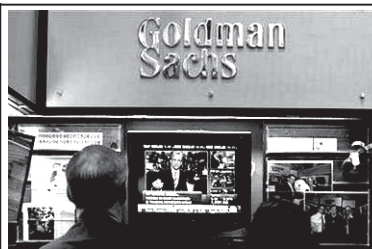
The company has received three reports of irons starting fires.

The irons were sold at Bed Bath & Beyond retail stores from June 2010 through November 2010 for about \$60.

The irons involved in the recall are the Sunbeam Convertible Iron with model number GCSBRS – 103. It is hand held and converts from an iron to a clothes steamer.

Consumers were advised to stop using the irons and contact Sunbeam for a free replacement.

Internet



Traders work in the Goldman Sachs stall on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange on 16 July, 2010.

INTERNET

Canadian banks have until 2023 to strengthen capital cushion

TORONTO, 6 Feb—Canadian banks will have until 2023 to replace \$77-billion of complex capital that will no longer count as an allowable buffer against a financial crisis, the country's regulator said.

The Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions issued its guidelines Friday for how long Canadian banks have before certain forms of capital, such as hybrid notes, are no longer eligible under banking rules.

Such capital did not act as an effective buffer during the financial crisis in 2008, when banks in Europe and the United States were forced to seek government bailouts

to stabilize their operations.

That prompted global banking regulations to be rewritten to ensure banks have a more effective capital cushion in the event of a future crisis.

From 2013 to 2023, the banks will have to reduce their non-common capital – essentially capital other than common equity – by at least 10 per cent a year, to comply with new global banking rules agreed upon last year. The banks will have to redeem the notes, or convert them to a form of capital, such as common equity, that complies with the regulations.

Internet

Singapore, China witness strong bilateral trade growth

SINGAPORE, 6 Feb—Bilateral economic relations between Singapore and China are strong, and as the world continues to recover from the global economic crisis, the bilateral trade has risen more than 25 percent to 95.3 billion Singapore dollars (about 74.5 billion US dollars) in 2010, Singapore Minister for Trade and Industry Lim Hng Kiang said here on Saturday.

China is currently Singapore's third largest trading partner, second

largest source of tourist arrivals and top investment destination.

Delivering a speech at a Chinese New Year reception, Lim said: "looking ahead, we expect both the China-Singapore Free Trade Agreement and the ASEAN-China Free Trade Agreement to continue to spur even stronger economic cooperation in this region."

Despite the recent global economic downturn, China remains one of the world's fastest

growing economies. Its GDP grew 8.7 percent in 2009. Last month, China announced GDP growth of 10.3 percent for 2010.

"Many Singapore firms are well aware of China's immense potential as the world's largest consumer market.

Over the years, many have made inroads into the Chinese market. Our early investments were mainly in the coastal cities, such as those in Jiangsu, Shandong and Guangdong.

MNA/Xinhua

Tongan ferry deaths trial moved to parliament

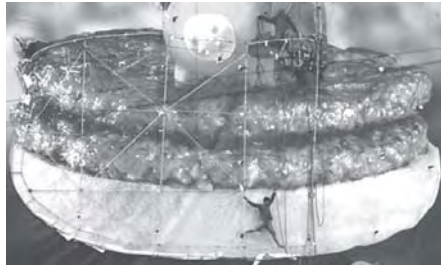
NUKU'ALOFA, 6 Feb—The manslaughter trials of four men charged in Tonga after 74 people died when an overcrowded ferry capsized will start on Monday at the parliament because the court is too small, according to officials.

The four — the Shipping Corporation of Polynesia's managing director John Jonesse as well as the ferry captain, first mate and a senior public servant — face up to 25 years in jail if convicted.

At a preliminary hearing last year they pleaded not guilty to manslaughter and additional charges including sending and taking an unseaworthy ship to sea, having no valid safety certificate and having no loadline certificate.—Internet



This file photo released in August 2009 by the Royal New Zealand Navy, shows the Tongan ferry Princess Ashika sitting on the seabed after sinking around midnight on 5 August while travelling between the capital Nuku'alofa to Ha'afeva.—INTERNET



Filipino workers are dwarfed by a billboard showing a giant hamburger in suburban Manila, Philippines, 6 Feb, 2011. The scene amused many pedestrians and motorists along a busy Manila highway where many commercial billboards compete for public attention.

INTERNET

Kentucky tourist killed by car in Jamaica

KINGSTON, 6 Feb—Authorities in Jamaica say a car has hit and killed a tourist from Lexington, Kentucky, and injured his girlfriend as they were walking in the resort area of Negril.

Jamaican police say 57-year-old Roy Anthony Stout was pronounced dead at a hospital Friday night. The woman, who hasn't been identified, was reported in critical condition Saturday.

Police on the Caribbean island say the driver has been detained and is being interviewed.

Family members told the *Lexington Herald Leader* that the dead man was co-owner and designer for a well-known Lexington business, Stout Printing.

His brother, Jerry Stout, said Stout and his girlfriend had arrived in Jamaica on Wednesday.—Internet

18 killed in bus-truck accident in Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 6 Feb— At least 18 people were killed and three others injured in a bus-truck collision in the southern Pakistani Province of Sindh on Saturday, local media reported.

According to the report, a passenger bus with some 22 people on board hit into a truck at the Gambat Bypass near Hyderabad area in Sindh.

The passenger bus has been completely destroyed in the accident whereas the truck was partially damaged.

Exact reason behind the road accident is not known for the moment, however, the report said that overspeeding might be the culprit.

Road accidents are very common in Pakistan where hundreds of people lose their life every year in road accidents.

A couple of weeks ago, 32 people were killed when a bus collided with an oil tanker in Sindh.

Traffic rules violation and lack of adequate road safety standards are the main reasons to be blamed for traffic accidents in Pakistan.

It is also recorded that about 87 percent of accidents in Pakistan are due to negligence of drivers indulged in overspeeding, overloading and wrong overtaking.—Xinhua

Bat-winged drone bomber in test flight

LOS ANGELES, 6 Feb—A robotic, bat-winged bomber designed to take off from a US aircraft carrier has passed its first test in a debut flight in California, the US Navy said.

The X-47B jet, which looks like a smaller version of the B-2 stealth bomber, stayed in the air for 29 minutes and climbed to 5,000 feet in a test flight on Friday at Edwards Air Force Base, according to the Navy and defence contractor Northrop Grumman.

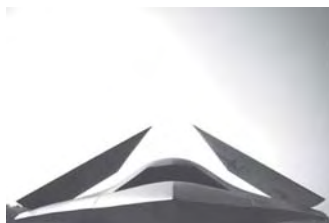
Military leaders see the plane as part of a new generation of drones that would be able to evade radar and fly at much faster speeds than the current fleet of propeller-driven Predators and Reapers used in the war in Afghanistan.

"Today we got a glimpse towards the future as the Navy's first-ever tailless, jet-powered unmanned aircraft took to the skies," Captain Jaime Engdahl, a programme manager for the warplane, said in a statement.

Northrop is building the navy

bomber under a \$636 million contract awarded in 2007.

With no pilot on board, the experimental aircraft was operated by a joint Navy and Northrop team on the ground.



A prototype of the X-47B Navy unmanned jet. The robotic, bat-winged bomber designed to take off from a US aircraft carrier has passed its first test in a debut flight in California, the US Navy said.

XINHUA

The plane "flew a racetrack pattern over the dry lakebed with standard-rate turns," the Navy said.

Xinhua

35 zoo animals freeze to death in northern Mexico

CIUDAD JUAREZ, 6 Feb—Thirty-five animals at a zoo in the northern Mexico state of Chihuahua have frozen to death during the region's coldest weather in six decades.

Serengeti Zoo owner Alberto Hernandez says 14 parrots, 13 serpents, five iguanas, two crocodiles and a capuchin monkey died. He said Saturday that power failures cut off electrical heating at the zoo in the town of Aldama.

Temperatures have dropped to 9 degrees Fahrenheit (minus 13 Celsius) in the area, the coldest weather in 60 years.

Internet



Troupers stage a show of Chaoyang-style Yingge dance to celebrate the Spring Festival in Shantou, south China's Guangdong Province, 4 Feb, 2011. The masculine Chaoyang-style Yingge, which combines the artistic features of opera, dance and martial arts, is a folk dance popular in Guangdong's Chaoshan (Chaozhou and Shantou) region. —XINHUA

Stake driven for construction of Advanced...

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Also present on the occasion were Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Brig-Gen Maung Maung Aye, senior military officers,

Chairman of Max Myanmar Group of Companies U Zaw Zaw and responsible persons, staff and guests.

First, Maj-Gen Wai Lwin, the commander

and officials took the designated positions.

Next, Maj-Gen Wai Lwin drove a stake and sprinkled scented water on it.

Afterwards, the commander, senior military officers, the chairman of the company and officials drove the stakes.

Advanced Zeyathiri Stadium will have 525,287 square feet of area. It will comprise one 5000-seat basketball and volleyball ground on 188,275 square feet of area, one 3000-seat table tennis gym on 91,809 square feet and one 3000-seat badminton court on 91,809 square feet.

MNA



Commander Brig-Gen Maung Maung Aye drives a stake for construction of Advanced Zeyathiri Stadium.—MNA



Quartermaster-General Maj-Gen Wai Lwin of Ministry of Defence drives a stake for construction of Advanced Zeyathiri Stadium.—MNA

Ayeyawady Bank (Monywa Branch), Zigon-Karbo rural tarred road open

YANGON, 6 Feb—Chairman of Sagaing Region Peace and Development Council Commander of North-West Command Brig-Gen Soe

Lwin attended the opening of Ayeyawady Bank Ltd (Monywa Branch) in Monywa on 2 February.

First, responsible officials formally opened Ayeyawady Bank Ltd (Monywa Branch) and the commander formally unveiled the bank sign-board.

Next, the commander attended the opening of Zigon-Karbo rural tarred road in Karbo Model Village in Kanbalu Township and cordially greeted the local people.

MNA



Chairman of Max Myanmar Group of Companies U Zaw Zaw drives a stake for construction of Advanced Zeyathiri Stadium.—MNA

Energy Minister inspects Thakayta offshore logistic base

YANGON, 6 Feb—Minister for Energy U Lun Thi today visited Thakayta offshore logistic base of Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise in Thakayta Township.

In his response to reports by an official, the minister called for officials to strive for greater efficiency as Thakayta offshore logistic base takes an important position where digging mate-

rial, chemicals and other supporting items needed for onshore and offshore oilfields across the country are to be stored and supplied. He stressed the needs to pay serious attention to using State-own properties through formal procedure and to take thrifty measure, and laid down future plans.

The minister later inspected delivering of 12-inch pipes for

connection of Pyawbwe-Pyinmana-Yeni-Taungphila gas pipeline.

He then inspected the annual checking of CNG vehicles and cordially chatted with car drivers in CNG vehicle department.

Next, he oversaw durability of CNG cylinders and quality-control tasks for the cylinders at CNG cylinder QC workshop.—MNA

Crown to explain engineering subjects, job opportunities

YANGON, 6 Feb—A ceremony to clarify electrical and electronic engineering subjects, computer network and communication technology subjects, MBA subjects and job opportunities will be held at Singapore Education Road Show 2011, Summit Parkview Hotel, here, on 11 February.

The trainees may join Auston Institute of Management to take the courses conferred by Coventry University.

For more information, contact Crown Education at Room No. 228-229, Summit Parkview Hotel (Ph: 211888, ext: 228 or 229) and (09-5085185).—MNA

HR Course at Wise International School

YANGON, 6 Feb—WISE International School for Executives will conduct certificate course in Human Resources Management on 11 February.

The curriculum is designed for entrepreneurs, HR managers and those interested in human resource management. The fee of the twenty-hour course is K 50000, but members may enjoy 40% discount and those wishing to join member program may contact Member Department of the school.

Applicants may enroll at Room No. 1009, 10th Floor, Yuzana Tower, at the junction of Kaba Aye Pagoda Road and Shwegondaing Road, Bahan Township, here, Tel: 01-556183, 09-5157032.—MNA

TMW introduces Sony 3D

YANGON, 6 Feb—TMW Enterprise Ltd held an introduction ceremony for Sony's 3D World at

Tawwin Centre on Pyay Road in Dagon Township here today. At the ceremony, 3D TVs, 3D movies, 3D games and 3D photos as well as entertainment programme were also presented.

Sony 3D new technology was introduced for Sony lovers and it is a one-stop place to observe 3D materials. The ceremony will continue from 10 am to 10 pm until 8 February.—MNA

IELTS for entrance to international universities

YANGON, 6 Feb—Responsible persons from the exam services of British Council will explain preparations for International English Language Testing Systemexam and entrance to international universities at Singapore Education Road Show on 11 February at Summit Parkview Hotel.

Anyone interested may attend the Education Road Show and are contact Crown Education, Ph: 211888, Ext: 228 and 09-5085185 for further information.—MNA

HAILING THE 64th ANNIVERSARY UNION DAY:

Little knowledge is dangerous

Maung Deh Doe

National brethren
United we stand

Mg Deh Doe: Bagyi Phyto, first hluttaw sessions are being held. I have heard of criticisms of hluttaws.

Bagyi Phyto: Yes, that is human nature. Different people have different natures and different views. What is important is that we should make a comment only if we know a lot about the subject. And we should show positive attitude in this regard. Otherwise, what we have commented can make others misunderstand the situations, or our comments may be malicious remarks.

Mg Deh Doe: Of course, Bagyi. So, I come here to ask you some questions. You have a lot of knowledge of politics.

Bagyi Phyto: Well, what do you want to know?

Mg Deh Doe: The first point I want to know about is: it has been a long time since a well-known man said. He is a lawyer. He says that the 2008 constitution says the constitution comes into force only when the first session of

Pyidaungsu Hluttaw is held. And Pyidaungsu Hluttaw can be summoned only after sessions of Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw have been held. Sessions of Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw cannot be summoned if the constitution has not come into force. Therefore, according to the 2008 constitution, hluttaw sessions cannot be summoned at all.

Bagyi Phyto: It seems to me their criticism is like the quiz: what is the origin: hen or egg. That fact is stated in the 2008 constitution. **Article 443 says that the preparatory work done by the State Peace and Development Council, before this constitution comes into operation, to bring the constitution into operation, shall be deemed to have been carried out in accordance with this constitution. So, we should consider that the first sessions of Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw the State Peace and Development Council summons and holds are in accordance with the constitution.**

Mg Deh Doe: Then, he must have said so without observing all the principles of the constitution. Another point is: one day before first hluttaw sessions began, a foreign radio station aired a live broadcast programme. It is an interview with an ex-hluttaw representative. He says that according to the 2008 constitution, if occasion rises to submit a bill, only if 25 % of the hluttaw representatives submit the bill, the bill will be under discussion. The parties except military and USDP make up only about 17%. So, it is impossible for them for them to submit a bill. What is your opinion, Bagyi?

Bagyi Phyto: Seemingly, he said so without observing all the principles of the constitution. **Article 138 (a) says that bills relating to other matters, except the matters prescribed in the constitution that the bill shall be submitted**

POEM

A bridge to New Age

- * O, the people
At dawn of new age we are
Be all in unity
Hand in hand we all
Discharging national duties
Blossoming like flowers
Our new generations
- * With Myanmar blood
We safeguard nation
Not far away is
Our golden age
Paving way to reach it
For our own cause
We always uphold
- * We brethren the Union's strength
All along the cause of history
Duties we served
Marching forward
Vision we have
Every one giving nation a hand
With noble spirit
Build we our golden age
Heritage for the posterity
- * Enjoying progress
The new generation
To further beauty golden age
Awareness in every heart
Horizons extending
Brethren in solidarity
With united strength
Shaping every one
The new nation of future

Hailing the 64th Anniversary Union Day
Soe Thein Soe (Bank) (Trs)

They can demand some amendments to the bills if necessary. If they meet a quorum, they can impeach the President, Vice-Presidents and ministers. They can submit a case to amend the constitution. They can speak and hold discussions freely in the hluttaws in accordance with the constitution. Regarding the submitting, discussing and performing at hluttaws, no action can be taken against hluttaw representatives. These principles are prescribed in the 2008 constitution approved with the votes of the majority of the people. There may be no other constitutions that work as well as that does. In democracy, the minority has to comply with the stances of the majority, and the stances of the minority are to be taken into consideration. That is a noble process. Only now, is the process introduced in our country.

and passed exclusively by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw stated in the Union Legislative List, shall be initiated in the Pyithu Hluttaw or Amyotha Hluttaw in accordance with the law. And according to Bylaw 151 (b), the initiated bill shall be distributed among hluttaw representatives and submitted to hluttaw sessions to decide whether the hluttaw concerned should deal with the bill or not. If the hluttaw decides that the bill should be dealt with, the bill will be transferred to the Bill Committee for Scrutinization. I think that system is a copy of British system. If that is like American system, committees at various levels take long to scrutinize the bill before the bill is submitted to the Congress. Some bills are not submitted to the Congress because they are decided by the committees only.

Mg Deh Doe: Why did he mention "25%", then?
Bagyi Phyto: In my opinion, he takes that for Article 71 (b) that says if it be required to (See page 9)

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impeach the President or any Vice-President, a charge signed by not less than one-fourth of the total number of representatives. That is why I say often that little knowledge is dangerous.

Mg Deh Doe: Another man says that parties of national races won only 44 of 435 seats in Pyithu Hluttaw and only 28 of 168 seats in Amyotha Hluttaw, and so, what they can decide on is nothing.

Bagyi Phyto: That is according to the election results. In Singapore, for instance, there is only one parliament. Of 94 seats for members of parliament, 10 seats are for appointed members. Ruling PAP Party wins 82 seats and there are only two seats for the opposition party. In that case, the two seats are set aside for the opposition party because the opposition is necessary for democracy system. Singaporean citizens voted for PAP in their favour. So, no one can complain about that. That is according to the democracy practice. However, that is going smooth in Singapore. In Malaysia, of the 222 seats in the House of Representatives, ruling UMNO wins 137 seats, and the opposition party wins 85 seats. There are many things parties that do not win the

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

majority of the seats can do. They can join hluttaw committees. They can submit bills. They can participate in discussions and give advice for the bills that are initiated by the other hluttaw. **They can demand some amendments to the bills if necessary. If they meet a quorum, they can impeach the President, Vice-Presidents and ministers. They can submit a case to amend the constitution. They can speak and hold discussions freely in the hluttaws**

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In democracy, the minority has to comply with the stances of the majority, and the stances of the minority are to be taken into consideration. That is a noble process. Only now, is the process introduced in our country.

Mg Deh Doe: The last point is that what the minority of

hluttaw representa -tives can do in the hluttaws are to raise their hands, nod their heads and clap. They can do nothing more than that. Hluttaw sessions are held behind closed doors. So, the people cannot be informed about what hluttaw members discuss at hluttaws. They also say that any media are not invited to hluttaw sessions.

Bagyi Phyto: I have presented what the minority can do at hluttaws. According to Article 89, Article 132 and Article 155, the proceedings and records of hluttaws shall be published for public information. However, the proceedings and records prohibited by any law shall not be published. That is practised in every country. Subjects talked about at closed-door meetings are not published for public knowledge. I notice that hluttaw sessions have the coverage of State media. I think when hluttaw sessions become settled, private media will have the rights to cover the sessions. I do not think it is wise to give all the media indiscriminate access to hluttaw sessions. As you know, it had to stop media men from doing indiscriminately at the recent wedding reception of the two celebrities. Hluttaws are to be taken most seriously in the nation, so if necessary, restrictions are to be prescribed for security and rule enforcement. At the US Congress, only media the speaker thinks trustful are allowed to cover news. In addition, there is a designated place for journalists. If a journalist is entering the hluttaw compound, he is thoroughly searched with mental-searching machine and X-ray machine. Anyone cannot take large bags, even soft drink tins and needle. I hope in our country, journalists will soon get used to the restrictions.

Mg Deh Doe: Well, I would say that if they keep making malicious remarks irresponsibly with the wrong concept that democracy means "anyone can do everything at will, as you have said that little knowledge is dangerous".

Translation: MS

Patriotism



Khaing Hsu

HAILING 64TH ANNIVERSARY UNION DAY**Kayah State gaining development momentum in the time of State Peace and Development Council****Colourful
Kayah
State***(from page 16)*

Kayah State lies in hilly region and is adjacent to Shan plateau. As the majority of the rivers that flow from north to south flows through the hilly region, the current of the rivers is strong. Thanks to Belu Creek that originates in Inlay Lake, Loikaw sees Lawpita (1), (2) and (3) Power Plants that generate electricity for the country. In addition, fertile farmlands have emerged in the Loikaw plain.

Stability and peace is a foundation for development. Tatmadaw government has extended a warm welcome to the armed groups to return to legal fold by surrendering the armed struggle line since its assumption of the state's duties in 1988. Now, the country has gained harmonious development due to the state's benevolent attitude and strenuous efforts.

Like other States and Regions, Kayah State is now enjoying the fruit of the peace and development. As a result, hydropower plants, communication facilities, schools, hospitals, universities, colleges, University of Computer Studies and Technological University have emerged one after another. Nowadays, Kayah State sees much more progress and development than that in 1988.

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

Sr	Subject	Unit	1988	2010	Progress
1.	Farmlands areas	acre	88432	177912	89480
2.	Dam	dam	28	32	4
3.	River water pumping project	project	-	3	3
4.	Forest reserve	sq/mile	74	270	196
5.	Protected public forest	sq/mile	-	2180.72	2180.72
6.	Railroad	mile	-	101.92	101.92
7.	Motor road	mile	445	581	136
8.	Bridge (over-180 feet)	bridge	6	8	2
9.	Post office	office	11	14	3
10.	Telegraph office	office	10	11	1
11.	Auto-exchange	exchange	4	12	8
12.	Microwave station	station	-	2	2
13.	Basic Education School	school	333	391	58
14.	University and college	university/college	-	3	3
15.	Hospital and health centre	hospital/centre	47	53	6

*Loikaw University in Kayah State turning out educated youths.*

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**Kayah State
gaining
development
momentum
in the time of
State Peace
and Develop-
ment Council**

(from page 10)

*Auto-exchange and
communication
tower seen in
Loikaw of Kayah
State for better
communication in
the nation.*

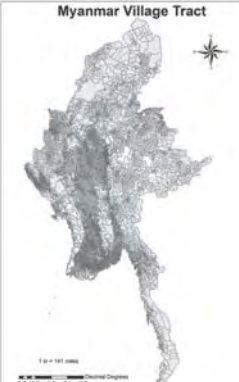
*Photo shows magnificent
Loikaw Railway Station.*

**Projects to be implemented for progress of Kayah State**

Sr	Subject	Location	Remark
1.	Htoo Creek Bridge (under construction)	Pasawng Township	228-foot-long reinforced concrete bridge
2.	No. 3 Biluchaung Hydropower Project (under implementation)	Loikaw Township	installed capacity of 52 megawatts

Water being stored at Loinanpha Dam near Loinanpha Village of Dimawhso Township to irrigate farmlands in Kayah State.





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UK sailors missing off coast of Portugal

LISBON, 6 Feb — Two British yachtsmen are missing after their boat was hit by a large wave off the coast of Portugal. Their yacht WaterWave got into trouble in rough seas as they sailed towards a marina north of Porto. The Portuguese authorities have sent a helicopter to search for the missing men, aged 23 and 52.

A 24-year-old crew member managed to swim to safety at Povoia de Varzim. Foreign Office officials said they had offered consular assistance. The yacht had been sailing from the north-western Spanish port of Vigo when it hit a storm at around 0330 GMT on Saturday morning. — *Internet*

California firm recalls 3,000 lbs of beef

WASHINGTON, 6 Feb — About 3,170 pounds of fresh ground beef patties and other beef products distributed to Southern California restaurants is being recalled, federal officials say.

The US Agriculture Department said in a release Saturday the beef from American Food Service in Pico Rivera may be contaminated with E. coli O157:H7.

The USDA said the products were produced 31 Jan and bear the establishment number "EST. 1913" inside the USDA mark of inspection.

The departments said there is a concern some product may be frozen and in restaurant freezers.

E. coli O157:H7 is a potentially deadly bacterium that can cause bloody diarrhea, dehydration and in the most severe cases, kidney failure.

Ground beef must be cooked to a temperature of 160 degrees Fahrenheit to kill E. coli bacteria.

— *Internet*

Police hunt missing six-year-old Swiss twins

GENEVA, 6 Feb — Police from three countries are hunting for a pair of six-year-old Swiss twins whose father killed himself after abducting them. Matthias Schepp had snatched Alessia and Livia from the Swiss home of his wife, from whom he was separated, on 30 January. He then travelled to France and then Italy, where he threw himself under a train on Friday. Helicopters, trackers dogs and scores of volunteers

are helping the search.

Canadian-born Mr Schepp had sent his estranged wife a letter from Marseille in France, saying he was desperate and could not live without

her, Italy's ANSA news agency reports. The agency quoted Swiss police as saying he had withdrawn large amounts of money from cashpoints in the city. — *Internet*



New approach brings US homeless in from the cold

WASHINGTON, 6 Feb — In the dead of winter last year, after 13 years of wandering the streets and homeless shelters of the US capital, Maureen Brosnahan was given a tiny apartment with no strings attached.

She would no longer have to endure

icy nights lying on cardboard and wrapped in blankets and plastic, or huddle with others for protection against the thieves and psychotics who prey on the homeless after dark.

"You always think that something better is going to happen. And for me, this happened," she says of the 16-room dorm-style building run by Open Arms Housing, a local non-profit that houses homeless women.

"It doesn't hit you until you're in for a year or so, and then it's like, 'Bam! I'm inside' You don't have to go to a church to take a shower."

— *Internet*



A homeless man sits besides his belongings on a street in Washington, DC Under traditional federal housing programmes, applicants had to spend years on waiting lists and were barred from housing by drug or other convictions, a process that offered little hope for the most vulnerable. — *INTERNET*

World War II bomb forces thousands evacuate near Paris

PARIS, 6 Feb — A bomb dated back to the World War II was defused on Sunday morning in a commune in the western suburbs of Paris, making thousands of local residents evacuated for safety, local press reported. In Boulogne-Billancourt, 8.2 km west from the centre of Paris, around 6,000 residents were evacuated early Sunday as security forces spent two hours to neutralize the dud bomb, which was discovered on 27 Jan, according to the report. The 500-kilogram bomb surfaced at a construction site used to be a factory of automaker Renault where had been air raided several times by the Allies between 1942 and 1943 when it was controlled by the Nazi Germany, the same source said. — *Internet*

Belgian Stefaan Engels completes record 365th marathon

BRUSSELS, 6 Feb — A Belgian runner has set a new world record by completing 365 marathon races in a year. Stefaan Engels, dubbed "Marathon Man", began his challenge in Belgium a year ago and has since run a marathon every day across seven countries. He crossed the finish line in the Spanish city of Barcelona after running 15,000km (9,569 miles) in a year.

"I don't regard my marathon year as torture. It is more like a regular job," the 49-year-old said. He averaged about four hours to complete a marathon. He said his best time was 2 hours and 56

minutes. Engels suffered from asthma as a child and had been told by doctors to avoid sport. Before Engels, the record marathon man was Akinori Kusuda of Japan — who ran 52 races in a row at the age of 65 in 2009. — *Internet*



Engels averaged about four hours to complete his marathons. — *INTERNET*

WiFi can be open door to Internet theft

WASHINGTON, 6 Feb — The use of open WiFi Internet services can give hackers an easy way to steal passwords and other

private information, a British company says. The theft of such information is made easy through the use of a free programme called Fire-sheep, which has been downloaded more than a million times in the past year, *USA Today* reported.

"People who don't understand technology simply have faith," their accounts won't be hacked, said Chet Wisniewski, senior security adviser at Sophos, a network security firm based in Abingdon England, which

has its North American headquarters in Burlington, Mass. "With Firesheep, almost anyone can effectively hack into your Facebook, Twitter and other accounts," said Randy Abrams, with the anti-virus firm ESET.

— *Internet*

Photographer captures Northern Lights phenomenon

COPENHAGEN, 6 Feb — A photographer has managed to capture the Northern Lights phenomenon in Northern Norway, after he decided to place his camera on top of a mountain to shoot a time lapse of the sky.

Eirik Evjen who lives in Lofoten, took the pictures on Friday and was amazed by the results.

"It was very cold outside so I had to wrap the camera in the warm clothes I was wearing," he said. "I got a real surprise when I picked up the camera eight hours later." — *Internet*

Rescue workers have been searching wells and water tanks in the region. — *INTERNET*



Wingbowl champion John "Super Squibb" Squibb eats wings during the second round at "Wingbowl 19", the annual chicken wing eating contest in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on 4 Feb, 2011. Squibb ate a record 255 chicken wings for his victory.

Man survives burial under six feet of snow

A Vermont man was rescued from a 6-foot snowdrift that buried all of him but his head, state police said. Jean Butler, 52, of Newfane was raking snow off his garage roof Friday afternoon when all the snow collapsed on him at once, a police report obtained by the *Burlington Free Press* said.

A neighbour heard Butler's calls for help, and Trooper Genevra Cushman began digging him out, joined by members of the Williamsville and New Brook fire departments.

He was rescued after 2 hours, and an ambulance team found no need to take him to a hospital. "Butler never lost consciousness, and although very cold, was in good spirits after being rescued," police said.

'Tootsie Bandit' busted in SoCal dragnet

An alleged cross-dressing bank robber who was dubbed the "Tootsie Bandit" was in jail Saturday, authorities in San Diego said.

Robert Tyndall, 56, of San Diego, was picked up without incident at his home by the FBI and police officers from San Diego and neighbouring El Cajon.

Tyndall allegedly took a cue from the classic 1982 Dustin Hoffman comedy "Toot-sie" by donning a blond wig, scoop-neck blouse and what the *Los Angeles Times* described as "fashionable boots" while knocking over three banks since July.

News Album

Sicily couple murdered man with butter

A Sicilian couple thought they had the perfect weapon to get rid of her ex-husband — a slab of butter which would melt after they asphyxiated him, the *Corriere della Sera* newspaper reported Saturday.

But a post-mortem

found remains of the butter in the airways of Calogero Lo Cocco and the pair were unmasked, the paper said.

On Wednesday Lo Cocco, 40, had gone back to the marital home he had not visited since his divorce, where his ex-wife lived with her new

boyfriend at Campobello di Licata near Agrigento in southern Sicily.

They had set upon him and suffocated him with the butter, before claiming he had arrived drunk and attacked them, forcing them to tie him up, when he had suddenly collapsed and died.



Butter on sale in a French supermarket. A Sicilian couple thought they had the perfect weapon to get rid of her ex-husband — a slab of butter which would melt after they asphyxiated him, the *Corriere della Sera* newspaper reported on Saturday.

Dead cow washes up on Seattle shore

Authorities in Seattle say bovine met the shoreline when beachfront residents found the body of a 400-pound cow washed up by the surf.

Seattle Animal Shelter enforcement supervisor Ann Graves says animal control officers received a report Thursday that the carcass of an adult cow had beached in West Seattle. The tide later moved it in front of a home.

A Seattle Police Department Harbour Patrol vessel towed the cow to a boat ramp Saturday, where it was loaded onto a rendering truck. Graves say it had no ear tag or other identification. It's not clear how it got in the water. Graves say it could have been dumped by owners after it died naturally.

The beached bovine was first reported by West Seattle Blog.

Italian maestro Muti broke jaw at Chicago rehearsal



Italian maestro Riccardo Muti, pictured in 2009, broke his jaw after he fainted during a rehearsal with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, officials said Friday.—INTERNET

CHICAGO, 6 Feb—Italian maestro Riccardo Muti broke his jaw after he fainted during a rehearsal with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, officials said Friday.

Muti, 69, will undergo surgery to repair "the multiple facial and jaw fractures sustained when he fell during rehearsal on Thursday," the orchestra said in a statement.

"Maestro Muti also continues to undergo tests to assess the underlying cause of the fall."

He remains at Northwestern Memorial Hospital and will undergo surgery on Monday.

It was the second time the conductor became so ill he had to cancel a performance since he took over as music director of the CSO last year.

Internet

Writers Guild honours "Social Network," "Inception"

LOS ANGELES, 6 Feb—Facebook film "The Social Network" and thriller "Inception" won top honours from the Writers Guild of America on Saturday in one of the last major Hollywood award shows before the Oscars later this month.

"Social Network" writer Aaron Sorkin took the award for best adapted screenplay from the group that represents US film and television writers

and "Inception" creator Christopher Nolan was named best writer of an original script.

Awards from Hollywood's professional guilds often provide hints about which films and filmmakers will compete for Oscars, the world's top film awards, given out by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences on 27 February, because many members

of the guilds also belong to the academy.

While that is certainly true in the category for best adapted screenplay, where Sorkin and "Social Network" are tipped to win, the other Oscar front-runner, royals drama "The King's Speech," was not nominated for the Writers Guild award for best original screenplay.

Reuters

Amanda Knox lawyers seek to stop Lifetime film

ROME, 6 Feb—Lawyers for US student Amanda Knox and her ex-boyfriend, who were found guilty of killing Knox's British roommate in Italy, have formally demanded that US television channel Lifetime scrap a planned film about their trial.

Attorneys Carlo Dalla Vedova and Luca Maori said Saturday they had sent letters to Lifetime warning they would go to US court to try to sequester the film if it isn't canceled and a trailer removed from Lifetime's website.

"Amanda Knox: Murder on Trial in Italy," which features "Heroes" star Hayden Panettiere in the title role, is due to air on 21 Feb.

Internet

Lohan's attorney denies actress stole necklace

LOS ANGELES, 6 Feb—Lindsay Lohan's attorney said Saturday that her client did not steal a \$2,500 necklace and would fight any charges if they are filed.

The statement from attorney Shawn Chapman Holley was the first official word from the actress' camp since police revealed they were investigating the troubled starlet for grand theft. "We vehemently deny these allegations and, if charges are filed, we will fight them in court, not in the press," Holley said. Kamofie & Co, a Venice custom jewelry store, reported the necklace stolen on 22 Jan, roughly three weeks after the actress was released from three months of court-ordered rehab at the Betty Ford Centre.

Police obtained a search warrant Tuesday to try to retrieve the necklace from Lohan's house, but the item was turned in to detectives before the warrant could be executed.

Internet



Lindsay Lohan

Defeated Man United targets derby recovery

WOLVERHAMPTON, 6 Feb—Sir Alex Ferguson believes next weekend's high-octane derby will give Manchester United the perfect incentive to bounce back from losing their 29-match unbeaten run. United slumped to a shock 2-1 defeat at rock-bottom Wolves on Saturday as their lead at the top of the Premier League was reduced to four points over Arsenal.

And despite the midweek international break, which Ferguson believes is ill-timed, the Scot insists Saturday's game against Manchester City at Old Trafford could not have come at a better time. —Internet



Wolverhampton's defender George Elokobi celebrates at the end of their English Premier League football match against Man United. INTERNET

Arsenal's Wenger fears scars from Newcastle match



Newcastle United's midfielder Cheik Tiote (L) celebrates scoring with defender Jose Enrique.

NEWCASTLE, 6 Feb—Arsene Wenger admits the psychological scars caused by Arsenal's traumatic meltdown in their sensational 4-4 draw against Newcastle could damage the Gunners' title challenge.

Wenger's side were in total control after 26 minutes at St James' Park on Saturday as two goals from Robin van Persie and strikes from Theo Walcott and Johan Djourou established a four-goal lead.

But the dismissal of Arsenal's Abou Diaby early in the second half altered the balance of power and Newcastle hit back to earn a point through two penalties from Joey Barton and goals from Leon Best and Cheik Tiote. —Internet

West Ham 0-1 Birmingham

LONDON, 6 Feb—Birmingham leaped out of the Premier League's bottom three with a huge win over fellow strugglers West Ham.

Nikola Zigic scored the only goal of the game when he headed in Sebastian Larsson's free-kick on 65 minutes. West Ham's Demba Ba almost christened a dream debut from the bench when he smashed a shot against the post.



But Birmingham had their defence to thank for a clean sheet where Manuel da Costa also went close to equalising but shot off-target and then headed wide. —Internet

BARCLAYS PREMIER LEAGUE				
Sunday 6 th February 2011.				
West Ham	0-1	Birmingham		
Chelsea	0-1	Liverpool		

BARCLAYS PREMIER LEAGUE				
EPL Standing Table				
Position	Team	P	GD	PTS
1	Man Utd	25	31	54
2	Arsenal	25	27	50
3	Man City	26	20	49
4	Chelsea	25	24	44
5	Tottenham	25	8	44
6	Liverpool	26	3	38
7	Sunderland	26	1	37
8	Bolton	26	-1	33
9	Stoke	26	-1	33
10	Newcastle	25	2	31
11	Blackburn	26	-8	31
12	Fulham	26	0	30
13	Everton	25	-1	30
14	Aston Villa	26	-15	29
15	Blackpool	25	-11	28
16	Birmingham	24	-9	27
17	West Brom	25	-17	26
18	Wigan	26	-18	26
19	Wolves	25	-17	24
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Mickelson in contention in Phoenix Open

SCOTTSDALE, 6 Feb — Phil Mickelson thrilled the huge crowd on the par-3 16th with a 30-foot birdie putt Saturday and closed within four strokes of leader Tommy Gainey halfway through the frost-delayed Phoenix Open.

Mickelson holed the long putt on the 20,000-seat amphitheater hole seconds after a fan screamed "Tiger would make it!"

"It's Saturday of the Phoenix Open. It's always fun," Mickelson said.

"There's a lot of people out here. I don't think there's a shot I wanted to make more, other than a major championship, than that putt on 16. I wanted to make that so bad.

Internet



Phil Mickelson

Sharapova slumps on Fed Cup return

PARIS, 6 Feb — Maria Sharapova's first Fed Cup appearance in three years ended in tame defeat on Saturday as four-time champions Russia went 2-0 down to France in their World Group quarter-final clash in Moscow.

Sharapova, desperately trying to rebuild her career after a long struggle with shoulder trouble, lost 6-3, 6-4 to Virginie Razzano, the

world number 83. Alize Cornet had earlier given the injury-hit visitors a 1-0 lead, producing a surprise win of her own, a 3-6, 6-3, 6-4 triumph over Svetlana Kuznetsova. "I was giving her far too many free points, I wasn't serving well, and I wasn't really being aggressive on the court and I was giving her the opportunity to hit the first ball, and I



Russian Maria Sharapova serves to French Virginie Razzano during their Federation Cup tennis quarterfinal match in Moscow. INTERNET

think the court really suited her today," said Sharapova.

Internet

Juve's Matri returns to haunt Cagliari

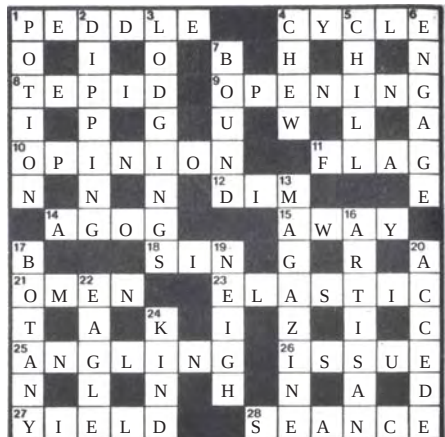
ROME, 6 Feb—Alessandro Matri returned to haunt his former club Cagliari on Saturday when he scored twice in Juventus's 3-1 win. The victory ended a run of three straight defeats and eased the pressure on Juve coach Luigi Delneri. Matri's goals sandwiched a strike from Cagliari's Robert Acquafresca before Luca Toni scored a late clincher. It was a vital win for Juve as well with champions Inter Milan the visitors to Turin next week.

"It can be more difficult to play against Cagliari than against Inter," said Delneri. —Internet



Cagliari player Andrea Lazzari (L) fights for the ball with Juventus' Leandro Bonucci during their Serie A match at Sant'Elia stadium in Cagliari. INTERNET

Answers to yesterday's Crosswords Puzzle



Messi gives Barcelona record win in Spanish League

MADRID, 6 Feb—Lionel Messi hit a hat-trick as Barcelona made history by winning a record 16th successive Spanish League match to beat the previous best of Alfredo Di Stefano's 1960-1961 Real

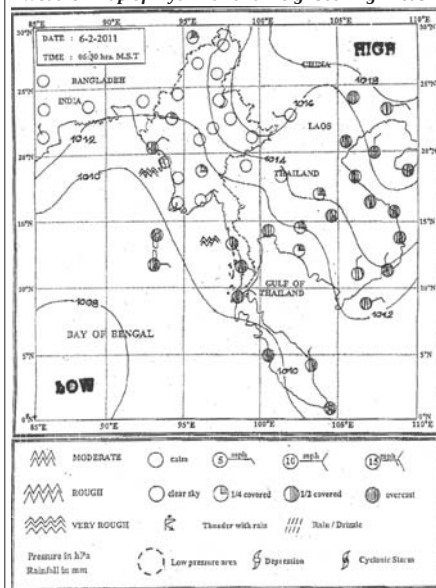


Barcelona's forward Lionel Messi scores a goal during their Spanish league football match against Atletico Madrid. —INTERNET

Madrid. Messi scored all the goals in the 3-0 win over Atletico Madrid at Camp Nou as the defending champions opened up a 10-point lead over Real Madrid who face Real Sociedad on Sunday. Argentine magician Messi waltzed through the Atletico defence to give Barcelona the lead in the 17th minute and, after wasting a further chance, he pounced again in the 28th minute.

Atletico came out of their shell at the start of the second half but it was Barcelona who had the cutting edge with Messi scoring again from close range 11 minutes from time. "We wouldn't be where we are if it wasn't for Leo in our team," said Barcelona coach Pep Guardiola of his Argentine superstar. —Internet

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Sunday, 6th 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, Shan Rakhine and Mon States, generally fair in the remaining Regions and States. Night temperatures were (3°C) below February average temperature in Upper Sagaing, Mandalay, Magway and Bago Regions, Kachin, Shan and Kayin States and (7°C) below February average temperatures in Chin State, (4°C) above February average temperatures in Mon State and about February average temperatures in the remaining Regions and States. The significant night temperatures were Haka (-1°C), Lashio (3°C) and Namhsan, Pinlaung, Heho and Mogok (4°C) each.

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 5-2-2011 was 90°F. Minimum temperature on 6-2-2011 was 58°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 6-2-2011 was (65%). Rainfall on 6-2-2011 was (Nil).

Yangon (Kaba-Aye)

Maximum temperature on 5-2-2011 was 93°F. Minimum temperature on 6-2-2011 was 63°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 6-2-2011 was (60%). Total sunshine hours on 5-2-2011 was (9.6) hours (Approx).

Rainfall on 6-2-2011 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 (6) mph from Southeast at (15:30) hours MST on 5-2-2011.

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 Andaman Sea and South Bay and generally fair elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 7th February 2011:

Light rain are possible to be isolated in Taninthayi Region and Kachin State, weather will be partly cloudy in Ayeyawady Region, Shan, Rakhine, Mon and Kayin 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: Generally fair weather in the Whole country.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 7-2-2011: Generally fair weather.

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 7-2-2011: Generally fair weather.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 7-2-2011: Generally fair weather.

Mexico's Rojas defends WBC super fly title



Mexican champion Tomas Rojas, right, lands a punch on Japanese challenger Nobuo Nashiro during the World Boxing Council super fly-weight title bout in Osaka. — INTERNET

Asleep in Jesus
Rev. Dr. Fr. Felix
(80 years)
Evangelism Director (Retd)
Angelic Headquarters

Rev. Dr. Fr Felix, beloved husband of Yesu Clara, loving father of Stanislaus @ San Thein Boneface Kyaw Aung (Kathrine Aye Aye Pyone), Rosemary, Abraham (deceased), Zephora and John Hla Win, grandfather of six grandchildren, fell asleep in Jesus at 7:45 am on 6 February (Sunday) 2011 at his residence No. 196 St. Mary's Compound (ARDC) Kyuntaw Road, Sanchaung, Yangon.

The funeral service will be held at the Holy Trinity Cathedral, No.466, Bogyoke Aung San St. at 1:00 pm on 10 February (Thursday) and thence to Yayway.

Bereaved Family

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL
Programme Schedule
(7-2-2011) (Monday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	- (09:00am~11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission	- (7-2-11 09:30 am ~ 8-2-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Residing in the Union with..union Spirit (Kayin State)
- * News
- * Travelling on the Chin Mountain ranges
- * Traditional Matrimony of Khamti Shans
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- * News
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- * News
- * Myanmar's DHF Prevention Activities Towards A Health Society
- * News
- * "Myanmar's Traditions and Culture"
- * Myanmar's Secret Beautifier
- * News
- * Myanmar Movies
- * "Myself, Others, Men & Women"

Myanmar



Monday,
7 February
View on today

7:00 am

1. Paritta By Venerable Min Gun Sayadaw

7:15 am

2. Dhamma Puja Song

7:25 am

3. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

4. Morning News

7:55 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

7:55 am

6. Health Programme

8:00 am

7. Cute Little Dancers

8:10 am

8. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competition

8:25 am

9. 64th Anniversary Union Day Programme

8:40 am

10. International News

8:45 am

11. Musical Programme

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Dance Variety

4:15 am

3. Musical Programme

4:25 pm

4. 64th Anniversary Union Day Programme

4:35 pm

5. 2011 University Entrance Examination (Biology)

4:55 pm

6. Songs For Upholding National Spirit

5:00 pm

7. Musical Programme (The Radio Myanmar Modern Music Troupe)

5:15 pm

8. 64th Anniversary Union Day Programme

5:30 pm

9. Myanmar Idol

6:00 pm

10. Evening News

6:15 pm

11. Weather Report

6:20 pm

12. Sing & Enjoy

7:00 pm

13. TV Drama Series

7:40 pm

14. Union Day Programme

8:00 pm

15. News
16. International News
17. Weather Report
18. World's Stars (Part-10)
19. TV Drama Series

- ★ 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

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

Colourful Kayah State

Kayah State is located at the eastern part of Myanmar, with a total area of 4529.56 square miles. In Kayah State, national races such as Kayah, Kayan, Mono, Kayaw, Yintale, Gaykho and Gaybar have long been living in unity and amity along with national races namely Kachin, Kayin, Chin, Pa-O, Bamar, Mon, Rakhine, Shan and Inn.

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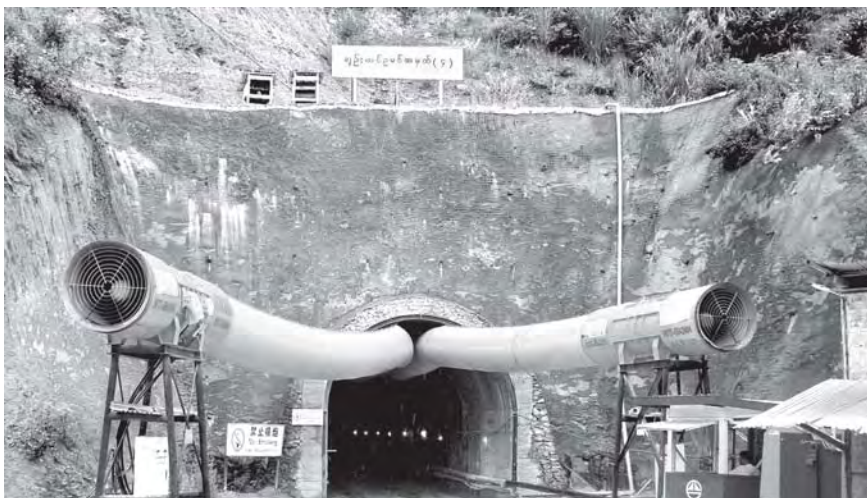


Photo shows construction of inlet tunnel in progress at No. 3 Biluchaung Hydropower Project in Kayah State.

HAILING 64TH ANNIVERSARY UNION DAY

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Little knowledge is dangerous

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CARTOON



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POEM

A bridge to New Age
* O, the people
At dawn of new age we are
Be all in unity

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Weather report

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Feb—The Department of Meteorology and Hydrology issued an announcement today that according to the observations at 17.30 hrs MST today, the low pressure area over Southwest Bay and adjoining Sri Lanka Coast has become unimportant.—MNA