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Beloved sons of the people

Our Tatmadawmen are born of the people. As we are beloved sons of the people, we must treat the people as our own parents whenever we encounter with them irrespective of our postings and the assigned duties. We must protect them, defend them and serve their interests. As the sons of the people, all of you have already won the hearts and minds of the people. The members of the Tatmadaw are also building sound infrastructures for each and every sector such as agriculture, industry, electrical and energy, transportation, health and education in order to effectuate the sustainable development of the State and the prosperity of the people in future. Our undertaking of these nation-building tasks is not for us to show them off, but to serve the people in accord with the principle that "the Tatmadaw always stand by the people".

Senior General Than Shwe
Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council
Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services

(From the address delivered at the parade of 62nd Anniversary Armed Forces Day)



Development infrastructures built in townships adjacent to Nay Pyi Taw Focus on improvement of socio-economic status of people

NAY PYI TAW, 20 March— Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo delivered an address at the ceremony to hand over education, health and social assistance provided by Aung Thiri Foundation to ministries, at Basic Education High School in Kyitaunggan Village of Pobbathiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw District at 8 am today.

Also present on the occasion were Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Brig-Gen Maung Maung Aye, ministers, deputy ministers, departmental heads, officials of Nay Pyi Taw District and Pobbathiri Township, the patron, the chairman and members of the foundation, members of social organizations, teachers, students and guests.

First, member of the foundation U Zaw Zaw handed over documents related to a fire engine to Head of Pobbathiri Township Fire Services Department U Soe Than.

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Secretary-1 Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo greets teachers and local people at the opening of new building at MaU-aung village Basic Education Primary School.—MNA



Newly opened school
building at No. (3)
Basic Education
Middle School of
Kyaunggon village.

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Four political objectives

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

Four economic objectives

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

Four social objectives

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

PERSPECTIVES

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Beef up industrialization

Today, the government is establishing industrial regions and zones throughout the nation for development of State-owned and private-owned industries. With technological development, the number of the factories and workshops is on the increase.

In its bid to achieve industrial development, the government so far has set up 18 industrial zones in Mandalay, Myingyan, eastern Yangon, western Yangon, southern Yangon, northern Yangon, Meiktila, Myaungmya, Hinthada, Mawlamyine, Monywa, Taunggyi, Yenangyoung, Patheingyi, Pyaw and Kalay.

Industrial development calls for qualitative and quantitative improvement, boosting production of new items, and production of machine tools and machinery for the industrial sector.

Development of human resources is crucial for industrial development. As part of the drive for industrial development, government technical institutes in Hsinde, Mandalay, Thagaya and Pakokku are bringing about industrial technicians.

To scale up the industrial development, the government encourages establishment of State-run and private-run factories. So, technicians and industrialists have to do their bit in pursuing the goal of industrialization.

SSA (Wamhing) group destroys bridges in Mongshu, Hsipaw townships

NAY PYI TAW, 20 March—While the government is striving for ensuring better transport across the nation, insurgents are constantly carrying out terrorist acts and destructions.

SSA (Wamhing) group planted mines and broke a bridge on Mongshu-Mongnawng Road in Mongshu Township yesterday morning. The mine explosion destroyed cross-shaped iron bars from both left and right railings on the bridge. Repairing of the railings was completed by officials of Township Public Works this evening.

Likewise, SSA (Wamhing) group destroyed a bridge on Mongyai-Seinkyaw-Hsaungkye Road in Hsipaw Township in mine blast yesterday morning. In the incident, the concrete foundation of the bridge and floor were damaged. Due to repairing of officials of Township Public Works, the bridge came into normalcy yesterday evening.—MNA

48th Myanmar Gems Emporium continues for tenth day in Nay Pyi Taw.

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Peoples' 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

CPT Minister visits Yatanarpon Myothit

NAY PYI TAW, 20 March—Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs U Thein Zaw visited Yatanarpon Teleport Building in Yatanarpon Myothit near PyinOoLwin in Mandalay Region yesterday.

The minister inspected functions of convergence billing centre, network operating centre, ISP data centre and called for systematic handling and maintenance of the equipment.

At Yatanarpon Portal Building, the minister oversaw works of portal operations team and viewed



Minister U Thein Zaw at Yatanarpon Teleport Building.—MNA

production of mobile devices, and prepaid cards at Asia Mega Link Plant and Top Up cards at Elite Manufacturing

Co Ltd.

The minister then inspected progress of housings, in Northern Housing Project and new

land plots and roads at Southern Housing Project and left necessary instructions.

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MOC General Secretary U Thaung Htaik and Shorniji Kenpo sports contingent led by Vice-President Mr Indra Karta Sasangka of Indonesian Olympic Committee and party pose for a documentary photo at National Stadium No. (1) Thuwunna.

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Myanmar Gems Emporium attracts jade merchants

NAY PYI TAW, 20 March—The 48th Myanmar Gems

Emporium organized by the Central Committee for Organizing Myanmar

Gems Emporium continued for tenth day at Mani Yadanajade Hall



near Myanmar Gems Museum here today.

Today, a total of 8,700 gem merchants at home and abroad visited the emporium which was held for the second time here and bid for jade lots sold through competitive bidding system.

Secretary of the Central Committee for Organizing Myanmar Gems Emporium Managing Director of Myanmar Gems Enterprise U Thein Swe and committee members supervised local and foreign gems merchants bidding for jade lots. The sales will be continued till 22 March.

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Methane blasts in Pakistan coal mine kill six, over 50 trapped

QUETTA, 20 March—Methane gas sparked explosions inside a coal mine in Pakistan's southwestern Province of Baluchistan on Sunday, killing at least six miners and trapping over 50 whose chances of survival seem slim, a government official said.

The blasts occurred in a mine run by state-owned Pakistan Mineral Development Corporation (PMDC) in Surran range, some 35 km (22 miles) east of the provincial capital, Quetta.

"There were at least three explosions. There were 59 workers inside the mine when the explosions took place," Mohammad Iftikhar, chief inspector of mines in the region, told Reuters.

"So far bodies of six bodies have been retrieved. The rescue workers are trying hard but survival of remaining workers looks difficult because the mine is very deep." Such explosions are not uncommon in coal mines in Pakistan, most of which are located in Baluchistan and neighbouring Sindh Province,



Mine workers and residents gather outside a coal mine after a explosion in Sorange near Quetta, Pakistan on 20 March, 2011.—INTERNET

where safety measures can be lax.

The country has huge coal reserves estimated at more than 184 billion tonnes. It produces 4 million tonnes of coal annually, most of which is consumed by brick-making kilns.—Reuters

Three soldiers killed, 23 people wounded in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 20 March—Three soldiers were killed and 23 people wounded in separate bomb attacks in Baghdad on Saturday, an Interior Ministry source said. A roadside bomb went off near an Iraqi army patrol in Baghdad's northern district of Adhamiyah, killing three soldiers and wounding six others, the source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

Three civilians were also wounded by the blast which destroyed a military vehicle, the source said. In a separate incident, a roadside bomb struck another army patrol at an intersection near the Shaab Football Stadium in eastern Baghdad, wounding five soldiers and damaging a military vehicle, the source added.

A third roadside bomb detonated near the al-Nidaa mosque in Baghdad's northern District of Adhamiyah, wounding five civilians and damaging several nearby civilian cars, he said. In addition, four civilians were wounded in two bomb explosions in southern Baghdad, he added.—Xinhua



Victim's family members participate in a service at the location of the tour bus crash, on 19 March, 2011 in the Bronx borough of New York. Fifteen people were killed on 12 March, 2011, when a tour bus returning to New York from Connecticut overturned and was split in two by a sign support pole.—INTERNET

Sting puts 14 of 14 tour buses off road

ALBANY, 20 March—A sting operation by New York state transportation investigators and law enforcement a week after a horrific fatal tour bus crash included a single stop in Manhattan in which all 14 tour buses pulled over were ordered off the road, a state official familiar with the investigation said Saturday.

State investigators

reported nine "major issues" Friday night with the drivers, including lack of an updated log book required to show how long a driver has been behind the wheel, the official said.

The state Department of Transportation investigators found 10 major vehicle issues and 40 minor infractions, the official said.

The official spoke on the condition of

anonymity because of the sensitivity of the continuing sting operation involving police statewide. Gov Andrew Cuomo directed the operation at DOT checkpoints as part of his order to investigate the Bronx crash of the tour bus, which was serving casino customers, while stepping up enforcement of all tour buses statewide.

Internet

Two NATO soldiers killed in shooting incident in S Afghanistan

KABUL, 20 March—Two soldiers with the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) were killed Saturday in a shooting incident in Afghanistan's restive southern region, the military alliance said in a statement. "Two International Security Assistance Force service members died in southern Afghanistan today following a shooting incident with a security guard," said the statement released here by ISAF.

The incident is currently under investigation, the brief statement added.

However, it did not reveal the nationalities of the victims, saying that it is ISAF policy to defer casualty identification procedures to the relevant national authorities.

Troops mainly from the United States, Britain, Canada and Australia have been stationed in the southern region within the framework of ISAF to fight Taliban militants. Saturday's casualties bring the number of ISAF service members have been killed in militancy-hit Afghanistan to 90 since the beginning of this year.

Xinhua

Eight militants killed in Afghanistan's Badghis Province

QALA-E-NAW (Afghanistan), 20 March—Eight Taliban militants were killed Friday night in Afghanistan's Badghis Province, some 555 km northwest of capital city Kabul as NATO-led troops and Afghan forces pounded militants' hideouts, an official said Saturday.

"Based on intelligence reports, a unit of Afghan and international forces raided militants hideout in Bala Murghab District late Friday night as a result eight militants were killed," spokesman for provincial administration, Sharafdin Majidi told Xinhua. According to the official, no casualties on combined forces and civilians were reported during the raid. Both security forces and Taliban fighters have intensified activities to consolidate positions as the spring, traditionally regarded as the fighting season, is nearing in the war-ravaged Afghanistan.—Xinhua



The missile frigate "Wenzhou" of China's eighth escort flotilla, is seen sailing on the Gulf of Aden, on 18 March, 2011. INTERNET

Basketball fans wait outside Staples Centre before an NBA basketball game between Los Angeles Clippers and the Cleveland Cavaliers on 19 March, 2011.

INTERNET



Man with knife arrested in Staples Centre standoff

LOS ANGELES, 20 March—A steak knife-wielding man held police and security guards at bay for nearly an hour at the Staples Centre in a bizarre scene that played out just before the Los Angeles Clippers hosted the Cleveland Cavaliers on Saturday, authorities said.

The centre's general manager, Lee Zeidman, said the man, who was not identified, entered the venue through an employee entrance. He said security officers tried to block him, but the man was brandishing the blade.

The man ran to the arena floor, where he was met by 25 security staffers who surrounded him until police arrived. Zeidman said the man made no demands or offer a motive for his actions. "He was talking a lot of gibberish, making a lot of veiled threats, and nobody could really understand him," Zeidman said. "There were no specific demands. He told us: 'Just back away or else you're going to get hurt. Leave me alone. I'm prepared to do whatever it takes to get whatever I want.'—Internet



This undated Energy Resources of Australia handout photo shows an aerial view of the Ranger Uranium Mine east of Darwin, Australia's Northern Territory.—INTERNET

Additional flight arranged for HK residents to leave Tokyo

HONG KONG, 20 March—Due to the changing situation at the Fukushima nuclear facility, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) government on Saturday continued to advise Hong Kong residents currently in Tokyo to consider making use of additional flights to return to Hong Kong or moving to the south of Japan.

The HKSAR government made available an additional flight from Narita Airport Sunday to facilitate the return of Hong Kong residents.

Four additional flights were arranged between Tokyo and Hong Kong from 18 March to 20 March to help bring back Hong Kong residents from Japan.—Internet



Mitsuo Watanabe, who evacuated from Iwaki, Fukushima, receives a screening test for nuclear radiation at a welfare centre in Yamagata, northern Japan on 20 March, 2011, nine days after Japan's devastating earthquake and tsunami.—INTERNET

Radioactive iodine found in tap water in Tokyo, other areas

TOKYO, 20 March—Japan's science and technology ministry said Saturday that tiny amounts of radioactive iodine have been detected in tap water in Tokyo and prefectures neighbouring Fukushima.

The detection came after the twin disasters of the 11 March earthquake and ensuing tsunami caused radioactive leaks at the Fukushima No 1 nuclear power plant.

According to the ministry, traces of cesium have also been found in tap water in Tochigi and Gunma in addition to the radioactive iodine found in the two prefectures as well as in Niigata, Chiba and Saitama.

But the dose of the radioactive substances poses no threat to human health even if they are taken in.

The Nuclear Safety Commission of Japan limits an intake of iodine at 300 becquerels per kilogram of water and of cesium at 200 becquerels.—MNA/Xinhua

Fiji out of danger from reported nuclear radiation leak in Japan

SUVA, 20 March—A scientist in the Suva-based University of the South Pacific (USP) has confirmed Fiji is out of danger from the reported nuclear radiation leak that posed a threat to Pacific island nations, local media *Fiji Times Online* reported here Sunday.

Dr Atul Raturi, head of USP school of engineering and physics, was quoted as saying there was no connection between acid rain and nuclear fallout, or nuclear radiation caused by the earthquake and tsunami that hit Japan last week. He clarified that acid rain did not have any relation with nuclear radiation. Instead, it was caused by pollution.

"The so-called acid rain occurs when gases like sulfur dioxide (SO₂) and nitrogen oxides (NO_x) are released into the atmosphere where they can form sulfuric acid and nitric acid which is then mixed rain," said the USP scientist, adding "these gases are mainly produced by the usage of fossil fuels in electricity generation." He further explained that "these chemicals can be moved hundreds of kilometers away from the source by prevailing wind. However, I do not think that Fiji and other Pacific island countries have too much to worry about the acid rain." Raturi said in regards to the radiation leak in Japan, Fiji did not have anything to worry about, at least for now. "The movement of radiation cloud will be dictated by the wind direction current estimates show that it might move towards the US west coast." "In the unlikely event of the radiation cloud moving towards the Pacific islands, it would have largely dispersed before reaching us" and "radiation does not remain constant and if it were to come here, it will lose its potency by the time it reaches Fiji," he said. "Only large doses and long period of radiation will have certain effects to the immune system," he reiterated.—Internet

Australia PM, uranium execs defend industry

SYDNEY, 20 March—Prime Minister Julia Gillard and senior executives in Australia's uranium industry have insisted the major producer will withstand the Japanese nuclear crisis despite a slump in shares.

Although Australia uses no nuclear power, it is the world's third-ranking uranium producer behind Kazakhstan and Canada, exporting some 9,600 tonnes of oxide concentrate annually worth over 1.1 billion dollars (1.09 billion US).

It also holds the world's largest reserves of uranium — the most widely used nuclear fuel — with 23 percent of the total, according to the World Nuclear

Association.

Perception of the nuclear industry has been seriously hurt since the Fukushima No 1 plant in Japan was crippled eight days ago by a terrifying earthquake and tsunami.

The twin disasters knocked out the plant's cooling systems, sparking a series of explosions and fires. Authorities have struggled to keep fuel rods inside reactors and fuel storage containment pools under water to prevent a major radiation leak.

But Gillard said the crisis would not affect Australian uranium sales.

"What is happening in Japan doesn't have any impact on my thinking about uranium exports," she said.—Internet

Trauma stalks children of Japan tsunami

KESENNUMA, 20 March—The horror of Japan's tsunami has raised concerns over the long-term impact on children, some of whom are already displaying signs of trauma, from screaming nightmares to silent withdrawal.

According to the charity Save the Children, around 100,000 children were displaced by what has become Japan's worst natural disaster since 1923, with nearly 20,000 people dead or missing.

The potential for lasting trauma is compounded by the unusual multiple nature of the event: a massive 9.0 earthquake, a devastating tsunami and a nationwide scare over a possible meltdown at a nuclear plant.

Experts say the scale of the loss and disruption for some children would have



A child stands between two tsunami survivors as they check a message board at a shelter for earthquake victims in Kesennuma.—INTERNET

been almost inconceivable: homes destroyed, friends disappeared, one or both parents maybe killed, or siblings and other close family members missing.

Initial efforts to help them come to terms with the tragedy can only be made in extremely stressful circumstances, with families packed into ill-equipped evacuation shelters, suffering bitterly cold nights and frequent terrifying aftershocks.—Internet



Chinese evacuees prepare to go to the airport by bus at a makeshift shelter established by Chinese General Consulate in Niigata, Japan, on 19 March, 2011. The Chinese General Consulate in Niigata said that, with the help of the local government, they had managed to establish three shelters and provide necessities for the Chinese evacuees.—XINHUA

Toll from Japan disasters over 8,000

TOKYO, 20 March—Japan's police agency says more than 8,000 people are dead and more than 12,000 are listed as missing after last week's earthquake and tsunami.

A week after the

disasters devastated the northeast coast, the National Police Agency said Sunday that the number of bodies collected so far stood at 8,133, while 12,272 people were listed as missing.—Internet

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The Secretary-1 viewed the fire engine. Next, he took position in front of the one-storey school building. Chairman of the foundation U Tha Htay unveiled the inscription of the one-storey school building.

Speaking on the occasion, the Secretary-1 said that this ceremony is auspicious not only for Nay Pyi Taw but also for the nation in handing over education, health and social assistance by Aung Thiri Foundation to the

cratic nation and ensuring sustainable development.

The government has adopted infrastructure plans to contribute to ensuring health and fitness of all citizens, uplifting of education standard and development of social-economic status. At present, the people from both urban and rural areas are enjoying fruits of development resulting from sound foundations.

The State Peace and Development Council has built infrastructures with momentum in conformity



Secretary-1 Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo inspects new school building at No.(62) Basic Education Primary School of Thabyedan village.—MNA



Secretary-1 Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo at Rural Health Centre (branch) of Ywathit village in Pobbathiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw District.—MNA

ministries in 2010-2011 financial year for Pobbathiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw District. Strengthening of national economy and development of human resources are important for emergence of a peaceful, modern, developed and discipline-flourishing demo-

with the new modern nation and constructed Nay Pyi Taw in the centre of the nation in 2006 as the hub to link all Regions and States and Union territories.

In building Nay Pyi Taw, each town has been facilitated with schools, dispensaries, market and fire stations and police

adjacent to Nay Pyi Taw and focus is on improvement of social-economic life of local people.

Nay Pyi Taw formed with three original townships was extended to eight townships, and inter-township roads and inter-village roads emerged. Due to emergence of better transport, all townships of Nay Pyi Taw have been facilitated with one hospital, basic education middle and high school each.

National entrepreneur-

55 schools in Pobbathiri Township. Moreover, the foundation provided 2044 desks, 38 teacher tables and 60 chairs, built one-storey self-reliant pre-primary school, one storey rural health centre and donated one incubator for Pobbathiri Township Hospital (1) as part of efforts to uplift health standard of the people. In addition, one Nissan fire engine was donated to Pobbathiri Township Fire Station to be able to take preventive measures against natural



Secretary-1 Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo inspects fire engine donated by Aung Thiri Foundation.—MNA



Member of Aung Thiri Foundation U Zaw Zaw hands over documents related to fire engine to U Soe Than, Head of Fire Services Department of Pobbathiri Township.
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stations systematically and built hospitals and general hospitals that can provide health care services to the people with modern medical equipment, sports grounds, National Herbal Garden, modern parks, the National Landmarks Garden, zoological gardens, advanced supermarkets, hotels, office, airport, railway station and highways as town characteristics.

Moreover, the development infrastructures are being built in townships

neurs and social organizations are joining hands with the government in building infrastructures and sound foundations for all-round development across the nation. In Pobbathiri Township, Aung Thiri Foundation constituted with national entrepreneurs has renovated 38 BEPSs, three BEMSs and three BEHSs, totalling 44 out of

disasters.

The foundation built a 29 feet high Mogaung Pylon Chantha-aung Pagoda in Kyaunggon Village and a Dhammayon of 1750 square feet floor area in Thayetthamein Village, renovated the two-storey building for students and the preaching hall at Kyidaungkan (Myoma) Monastery and donated (See page 6)



Secretary-1 Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo addresses the ceremony to hand over assistance provided by Aung Thiri Foundation to ministries.

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150 bags of cement for renovation of Kyeintawmyaung Monastery, 150 bags of cement and 30,000 bricks for construction of the fence posts at Dagundaing Monastery in Kyidaungkan Village and built low-cost houses for 137 households in MaU-aung Village by reclaiming 217 residential plots, established the model village by building Village PDC office, library, clinic, monastery and rural roads. Furthermore, the foundation sank 32 two-inch diameter artesian wells and six four-inch tube-wells and renovated eight diversion weirs in 13 villages.

be obtained from the loans on regional development tasks.

In conclusion, the Secretary-1 urged the local people to cooperate with Aung Thiri Foundation in undertaking regional development plans as national duty for building a new nation; and Aung Thiri Foundation to maintain the good infrastructures built by the State including the assistance provided by the foundation for their durability and apply the facilities for improvement of their lives.

After that, the Chairman of Aung Thiri Foundation handed over documents related to 44 schools through Township Education Officer U Soe Hlaing.

Then, Foundation Patron U Tint Hsan and foundation members handed over Baby Incubator for

center, and cordially greeted local people. The Secretary-1 and party then proceeded to the opening of new school building of No.62 BEPS in Thabyaytan village. At the ceremony Aung Thiri Foundation member U Tun Myint Naing pressed the button to open the plaque of the school.

The Secretary-1, the ministers and Patron of Aung Thiri Foundation, chairman and members sprinkled the scented water on it.

Afterwards, the Secretary-1 looked round the new building and cordially greeted teachers and local people.

Then, the Secretary-1 and party attended opening of new school building of BEPS in MaU-aung village. At the ceremony, the foundation patron un-

Chairman of Aung Thiri Foundation U Tha Htay unveils bronze plaque of new building of BEHS in Kyidaungkan village.

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Aung Thiri Agriculture and Development Co formed with national entrepreneurs disbursed K 502.9 million to 3352 farmers in Pobbathiri Township to grow cold season crops on 10258 acres of lands.

He praised the foundation for its endeavours on donations for rural development tasks including education and health sectors in 2020-2011 financial year in line with six-point aim of the foundation, and implementation of the plans for sponsorship in enrolment of school-age children next year and novitiation of the needy children, Aung Thiri Agriculture and Development Co for disbursement of agricultural loans to local farmers of Pobbathiri Township at fair interest this year and preparations to disburse agricultural loans to the farmers to grow monsoon paddy coming year and providing paddy strains and fertilizers, and the noble aim of the company for spending the interest to

No 1. Hospital (500-bed) in Pobbathiri Township, documents related to seven tube wells and 32 artesian wells and rural health branch of Ywathit village, Basic Education Primary School and MaU-aung model village and one football ground, two basketball grounds and two volleyball grounds through officials.

The ceremony came to an end after a local resident from Kyidaungkan village of Pobbathiri Township spoke words of thanks.

Afterwards, the Secretary-1 and party attended the opening of new building of rural health branch in Ywathit village, Pobbathiri Township, Nay Pyi Taw District.

At the ceremony, Aung Thiri Foundation member U Tun Myint Naing unveiled the inscription of the center.

After that, the Secretary-1 and party visited the

veiled the stone plaque of the school. Then, the Secretary-1 and party sprinkled the scented water on it.

After that, the Secretary-1 and party looked round construction of MaU-aung model village by car. On arrival at Nyaunglu village, they inspected progress in construction of new school building of Basic Education Middle School.

The Secretary-1 and party attended opening of new school building of No. 3 BEMS in Kyaunggon village. At the ceremony, foundation member U Ohn Kyaw unveiled the inscription of the school. The Secretary-1 and party sprinkled the scented water on it.

After that, the Secretary-1 looked round new school building and cordially greeted teachers and local people.

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Patron of Aung Thiri Foundation U Tint Hsan unveils inscription of new building of BEPS in MaU-aung village.—MNA

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The Secretary-1 and party looked round construction of Moegaung Pylonchanthaung Pagoda being built by the Foundation in the compound of Kyaunggon monastery.

After that, they paid homage to Chairman of Tatkon Township Sangha Nayaka Sayadaw Bhaddanta Addicçavamasa and Presiding Nayaka Sayadaw of

Kyaunggon Monastery Bhaddanta Dhammasami and donated offertories to the Sayadaws. The Secretary-1 inspected tube well there donated by Aung Thiri Foundation.

Aung Thiri Foundation is a social organization and its aim is to help assist in education, health and social affairs of the local people, to help all school-age children have easy access to education in cooperation with

Ministry of Education, to provide necessary medicines and medical equipment to hospitals and clinics, to help improvement of roads in villages and wards, to provide necessary assistance to social, fun fairs and sport events in wards and villages and to help accelerate rural areas development tasks.

Next year also, Aung Thiri Foundation will continue to provide necessary assistances to education, health and social sectors so as to improve the living standards of rural people.—MNA

Pathein (Begarat)-Einme railroad section commissioned into service

NAY PYI TAW, 20 March—A ceremony to open Pathein (Begarat)-Einme railroad section of Pathein (Begarat)-Einme-Nyaungdon-Yangon (Hlinethaya) railroad construction project being implemented by Myanmar Railways of Ministry of Rail Transportation was held in Nyaungwaing Village of Einme Township this morning.

In his address, Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min said today is the ceremony to open the 20.75 miles long Pathein (Begarat)-Einme section, part of 89 miles long Pathein (Begarat)-Einme-Nyaungdon-Yangon (Hlinethaya) railroad construction project. The section started with construction on 1-12-2009, and the facility was completed

during one year and three months. The section has 46 small and large bridges, six stations, 23 curves with six degree in maximum and 1:200 gradient.

Myanmar Railways tried hard to open the 20.75 miles long Pathein (Begarat)-Einme railroad section in April 2010. Due to bad ground at mile post No. 5 near Hsingaung Village, about one kilometer



**Secretary-1
Thiha Thura
U Tin Aung
Myint Oo
looks round
construction
of Moegaung
Pylon-
chanthaung
Pagoda in the
compound of
Kyaunggon
monastery.**

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long embankment subsided. The area was repaired with geo-textile technology. Although the embankment had been repaired, the train schedules were not run for one year to check the soil condition. At present, the railroad is free from danger, so the train schedules have started.

As railroads are under construction in all States and Regions under the plans, on completion, the National Railway Network will emerge.

The building railroads are: 320-mile Kyangin-Pakokku railroad, 257-mile Minbu-An-Sittway railroad, 98-mile Katha-Bhamo railroad, 95-mile Pyawbwe-Natmauk-Magway railroad, 226-mile Mongnai-Kengtung railroad, 132-mile Dawei-Myeik railroad, 89-mile Pathein-Begarat-Hline-

thaya railroad, 48-mile Hinthada-Nyaungdon railroad, 120-mile Pyay-Toungoo railroad, 120-mile Nay Pyi Taw-Tatkon-Pinlaung railroad, 475-mile Myitkyina-Bhamo-Hsipaw railroad, 135-mile Kalay-Kalewa-Yagyi-Monywa railroad and 150-mile Toungoo-Yado-Loikaw railroad, totaling 2265 miles.

A total of 1830 miles of 2265 miles are being constructed to open the sections as soon as possible.

Chairman of Ayeyawady Region Peace and Development Council Commander of South-West Command Brig-Gen Tin Maung Win, Minister U Aung Min, Deputy Ministers Thura U Thaung Lwin and U Pe Than opened the railroad section.

They presented gifts

to the passengers on board the train and looked into the Pathein (Begarat)-Einme railroad section.

The 20.75 miles long newly-opened section was part of 89 miles long Pathein (Begarat)-Einme-Nyaungdon-Yangon (Hlinethaya) railroad.

Pathein (Begarat)-Einme-Nyaungdon-Yangon (Hlinethaya) railroad construction project is to link Ayeyawady and Yangon Regions. On completion, people from Pathein will have easy access to Hinthada, Kyangin, Pakokku, Kalay, Sittway via Minbu, Yangon and Nay Pyi Taw. In the near future, the Railway Network can be created in Nay Pyi Taw at the centre to link all the railroads from the east to the west and from the north to the south of the nation.

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Commander Brig-Gen Tin Maung Win presents commemorative gifts to passengers of train from Pathein (Begarat) to Einme.—MNA



A train on maiden trip from Pathein (Begarat) to Einme.—MNA

HAILING THE 66TH ANNIVERSARY ARMED FORCES DAY**Tatmadaw in perpetual service of national interests***Kyaw Min Khaung***Only when the Tatmadaw is strong, will the nation be strong**

Dad,

This is a letter of remembrance to you, which I wrote in an outpost on Loisan Mountain Range in eastern Shan State, and sent to you through the pay group that would come back to the base. Our outpost overlooks the Thanlwin River from a distance. Our outpost is surrounded by greenish ranges of Shan Yoma Mountain. The scenes here all make a man of longing like me long for everything and everyone he dealt with in the past. However, for soldiers of us who are on duty round the clock cannot spend our time for longing and have to keep our eyes and ears open for anything unusual in our national defence duties. Once, I wondered why soldiers of us are

happy with duties in jungles away from out parents, relatives, families and girlfriends. But we are proud to have an opportunity to discharge the duty of safeguarding Our Three Main National Causes, namely Non-disintegration of the Union, Non-disintegration of national solidarity and Perpetuation of sovereignty.

Dad,

As you know, the Myanmar Tatmadaw was formed on 26 December 1941 with Thirty Comrades. The Thirty Comrades underwent harsh military training in a foreign country as they knew well that the country badly needed to establish a Myanmar armed force to regain independence from the colonialists. The Myanmar Tatmadaw that emerged according to national cause and historical necessity is formed with people of various national races, not with mercenaries. At the graduation parade of the eighth intake of the Defence Services Technological Academy, Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe said, "Ours is a patriotic Tatmadaw that upholds the Four Oaths of a Tatmadaw member in charge of national defence duties, not a mercenary force."

In its infancy, the Myanmar Tatmadaw managed to enable the nation to regain independence in cooperation with the people to satisfy the aspiration of the entire people. Today, Myanmar stands tall with independence and sovereignty in the international community. The Tatmadaw managed to accomplish the historic operation of throwing off the yoke of colonial rule for liberation of the motherland.

Dad,

Tatmadaw members join the Tatmadaw out

Tatmadaw members join the Tatmadaw out of their nationalistic sentiment and they have taken an oath "We solemnly take a vow to sacrifice our lives for our country, for our people and our Tatmadaw". So, Tatmadaw members of us do not care for any rights, property and cash awards. If necessary, we are ready to sacrifice our life and limbs in the interest of the nation. In this regard, at the graduation parade of the eighth intake of the Defence Services Technological Academy, Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe said, "Tatmadaw members of us do not care about whether we get salary and rations, and we do not consider any rights to be our entitlements. We are the ones who are not reluctant to sacrifice lives out of patriotism."

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Dad,

The Myanmar Tatmadaw constituted with public's sons with daring spirit stands firm by the people in times of emergency and preserves its 12 fine traditions. In the post-independence period, our country came under the inferno of multicoloured armed insurgency due to dogmatism and racism, and the nation was hovering on the edge of losing its recently-achieved independence. The Tatmadaw managed to restore peace and stability across the country, sacrificing lives of many of its members. The achievement was also the pride of the Tatmadaw.

Dad,

While the flame of internal armed insurrection was smothering, Kuomintang troops led by Chiang Kai-shek from a neighbouring country invaded the soil of our country. So, the Tatmadaw had to launch Operation "Hsinbyushin", Operation "Yan Gyi Aung" and Operation "Mekhaung" to drive the alien troops out of Myanmar soil. In the operations, many Tatmadaw members sacrificed their lives. Again, the Tatmadaw accomplished a bounden duty.

Dad,

The more I know about the fine traditions of the Tatmadaw, the prouder I am to be a Tatmadaw member. In addition, I have come to realize that the Tatmadaw is a national defence force necessary for the nation's independence and sovereignty. The Tatmadaw is not composed of people of a single national race, but of people of various national races from the four corners of the Union. Therefore, no one can deny that the present Myanmar Tatmadaw is the Union force or the force of various national races.

Dad,

It was the Tatmadaw that managed to save the nation again when the whole Union was on the verge of massive bloodshed owing to Federal system in 1962.

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HAILING THE 66TH ANNIVERSARY ARMED FORCES DAY**Tatmadaw in perpetual service of national interests***Kyaw Min Khaung**(from page 8)*

In 1988, the nation faced wholesales disturbance in which anarchy reigned supreme and the government's administrative machinery was not in force any longer. Everything was in disorder across the Union that was standing on the point of an abyss. On 18 September 1988, the Tatmadaw took up State duties to safeguard the interests of the nation. The Myanmar Tatmadaw with 12 fine traditions was dutiful again to save the mother country.

It is therefore required of the entire people to build the Myanmar Tatmadaw that stands firm by and protects the nation in times of emergency into a strong, efficient and modern one. In retrospect, our country lost independence and sovereignty

Objectives of the 66th Anniversary Armed Forces Day

1. To work in concert with the people for further burgeoning the eternal principles namely justice, liberty and equality
2. To participate in the leading role of State's national politics hand in hand with the people
3. To crush internal and external subversives, who are disrupting State stability, peace and development, in collaboration with the people
4. To build a strong, competent and modern patriotic Tatmadaw to safeguard Our Three Main National Causes

The nation has developed a lot in various sectors in a couple of decades thanks to the efforts the Tatmadaw has made with a sense of bounden duty. Now, the country is on its way to democracy. Defence service personnel representatives that make up 25 per cent of the representatives are taking part in the process of building a democratic nation to shoulder the national duty, which enhances the image of the Tatmadaw with fine traditions.

Whatever age it is and whatever conditions the nation faces, the Tatmadaw will keep discharging national duties and will guard the mother land against dangers.

and went through the hell of colonialism for more than 100 years due to lack of a strong, efficient and modern Tatmadaw. Therefore, our Tatmadaw must remain powerful in order to safeguard the nation's sovereignty forever.

Dad,

By the way, I would like to present my true story last year. At that time, the cold season was going to say goodbye, thus ushering in the summer. The whole Shan Yoma Mountain Range was gloomy amidst the mist. One day, a platoon under my command got to a village "Nampun" at the foot of Shan Yoma Mountain Range, home to different national races such as Palaung, Lahu and Akha. While my platoon was in the village monastery, a young man from the village rushed to us and asked us for help with calling a midwife from Namhsai Village, five miles from his village. Then, I stopped having meals, and went to his house with my medical assistant. When we arrived at the house, the woman was found unconscious. So, it was too late to call the midwife. She was suffering a massive womb haemorrhage. So, the

medical assistant gave treatment to her for an emergency birth. Without any hesitation, I decided to donate my blood to her. Soon after the blood transfusion, the Palaung national woman got better. So, she was not under the deadly conditions any longer. If my memory serves right, it was 27 March 2010 (Armed Forces Day) as well as my birthday. I was very proud and glad to donate blood to save a Palaung national woman. It is a proof that Tatmadaw members are kind to the people.

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POEM**Here come patriots**

- * Here come soldiers with standards
Marching in smart uniforms
In order and harmony all contingents
Martial songs reverberating in sky
The brave with roaring success
Coming are the patriotic sons
- * Elegant in olive uniforms
So impressive are the Army
Vigorous navy blue
Ever unyielding they are
The Navy of the sea
Flying high above the sky
Skill and daring of the Air Force
Protecting national people
The Army, the Navy, the Air Force
Young and energetic warriors
Reverberating are martial songs
Patriots are coming
- * Winning trust of majority
The good sons of Myanmar
Receiving a rousing welcome
With flowers people wish
Victory on this Armed Forces Day
On every Anniversary
Marching are the patriots

Hailing the 66th Anniversary Armed Forces Day
Po Yan Naing (Kyaukkyyi) (Trs)

On the occasion of the 66th Anniversary Armed Forces Day, I pay tributes towards Tatmadaw members who have sacrificed their lives in carrying out bounden duties with a sense of duty in successive periods to defend the country.

I wish you good health.
Looking forward to a reunion.
Son

Translation: MS

Welaung Bridge on Yangon-Pyay-Mandalay Road...

(from page 16)

The Industry-1 minister spoke words of thanks for inauguration of the bridge.

The commander and ministers cordially greeted those present at the ceremony.

The ministers and officials formally opened Welaung

Bridge.

The commander unveiled the stone plaque of Welaung Bridge which was plaque with scented water by the commander, ministers and departmental heads. They then strolled along the bridge.

Welaung Bridge is

of reinforced concrete type, with the length of 300 ft, the 24-ft wide two-lane motorway and three-ft pedestrian walkway on either side. It can withstand 60 tons of load.

Newly-opened Welaung Bridge is 16th over 180-ft bridge in Mandalay Region and



Commander Brig-Gen Ye Aung unveils stone plaque of Welaung Bridge.

MNA



263rd in the country.

The inauguration of Welaung bridge, which connects road networks stretching from north to south and east to west, will contribute towards de-

velopment in economic, social, administration and health sectors of the region, ensuring swift commodity flow and easy access to better transportation.—MNA

Commander Brig-Gen Ye Aung and ministers

stroll along Welaung Bridge.

MNA

Minister visits Shwegyin hydropower project site

NAY PYI TAW, 20 March – Minister for Electric Power No.1 U Zaw Min visited Shwegyin hydropower project site, near Kyaik Naga Village, about 6 miles from northeastern part of Shwegyin in Bago Region yesterday. He inspected test-run of Generator No (2) and installation of Generator Nos. (3) & (4), control room and control system.

Next, the minister gave instructions to project officials on timely

completion of the project and operation of generators at full capacity.

On the left side bank of the dam, the minister looked into flow of water to the dam and construction of main canal, intake structure, switch yard, power plant and spillway.

The project had four 18.75-megawatt generators installed with 75 megawatts of total capacity. Generator No (1) started generating

electricity on 10 January 2011; Generator No (2) test-running and Generator Nos. (3) & (4) will generate electricity soon. — MNA

Fund raising stage show held

YANGON, 20 March— Myanmar-ASEAN Women's Friendship Association held a fund raising stage show at National Theater on Myoma Kyaung Street, Dagon Township here on 18 March, attended by members of Panel of

Patrons of MAWFA Daw Myint Myint Soe, wife of the Minister for Foreign Affairs, ambassadors of ASEAN Embassies and their wives, and wives of departmental heads.

Tun Foundation, the sponsor of the stage

show, donated K 10 million to the MAWFA. And the donations will go to the construction of water supply facility and wash rooms of Samataung Parahita Home in Lewe Township, Nay Pyi Taw District.—MNA



Daw Myint Myint Soe, wife of Minister for Foreign Affairs, ambassadors of ASEAN countries and their wives enjoy fund raising stage show.—MNA

Armed groups return to legal fold understanding genuine goodwill of Government

NAY PYI TAW, 20 March—The State Peace and Development Council, upholding Our Three Main National Causes, has vigorously strived for national reconsolidation and made strenuous efforts for

harmonious development of all corners of the nation.

The armed groups, having realized the acts and genuine goodwill of the government, have felt remorse for their wrong acts and have been returning to embrace of

the government, the people and the Tatmadaw.

A 13-member group led by Sai Mon of SSA (Wamhing) armed group exchanged arms for peace in the region of North-East Command with 11 units of small arms, one

sub-machine gun, one BA (93), 291 assorted rounds of ammunition, 16 BA (93) grenades and its nine bullets, 15 assorted magazines, one bandolier, and three land mines yesterday.

Authorities concerned are providing necessary assistance to those and more armed groups members are reported to return to legal fold.—MNA

Hole-in-one in Yangon Golf Club (Danyingone)

YANGON, 20 March— In Yangon Golf Club (Danyingone), Yoon Jin Soo (Club Yang Woo Member) (Chair-man Mr. Kang In Sik) Wan played with Koo Ja Yong, Jung Jung Ho

in the morning, at hole No. (11), 146 yards from tee, got hole in one played Titleist No. 3 ball with Iron 7 (Tommy Amour) club at 10:30 am today.

MNA

Magnitude-6.0 earthquake jolts N Philippines

MANILA, 20 March — A magnitude-6.0 earthquake rocked a northern Philippine region Sunday afternoon, the United States Geological Survey (USGS) said.

There was no immediate report of casualties or damage.

The tremor occurred at 4:26 pm local time (0826GMT) in Babuyan Islands region, the USGS said on its official website, adding that at a depth of 36.6 kilometres, the quake was traced 489 kilometres from the country's capital of Manila.

The Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology put the intensity of the quake, which was of tectonic origin, at magnitude-6.4.

No immediate report of casualties or damage was released by local authorities.

The Philippines sits in the so-called Pacific Ring of Fire, an area where continental plates collide producing frequent quakes and volcanic activities.

MNA/Xinhua



Visitors walk past a vintage car with flowers growing in its trunk during the Canada Blooms 2011 at the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto, Canada, on 18 March, 2011. As Canada's largest and most prestigious flower and garden festival, Canada Blooms 2011 has a history of 15 years. The event opening from 15 March is expected to attract over 100,000 visitors with its glorious gardens in full bloom.

XINHUA

Nintendo 3DS could ID vision issues

NEW YORK, 20 March —US eye specialists are welcoming the Nintendo 3DS game device, dismissing the manufacturer's warnings that its 3-D screen shouldn't be used by children 6 or younger because it may harm their immature vision.

On the contrary, the optometrists say, it's a good idea to get your kids to try the 3-D screen, especially if they're younger than 6. It won't do any harm, they say, and it could help catch vision disorders that have to be caught early to be fixed.

"The 3DS could be a godsend for identifying



In this 29 Sept, 2010 file photo, a visitor operates a Nintendo 3DS featuring 3-D imagery during a Press conference by Nintendo Co Nintendo Corp has warned that the 3-D screen on its new 3DS handheld game device shouldn't be used by children 6 or younger because it may harm their immature vision.

INTERNET

San Francisco tries get tough approach with homeless

SAN FRANCISCO, 20 March—San Francisco prides itself on helping the homeless, and it even created a special committee for grievances from those kicked out of shelters. But this month, it began a new experiment that treats the homeless more harshly than the city's other policies. After lengthy training, police began enforcing an ordinance that bans sitting or lying on sidewalks during daytime hours.

The measure, which was approved by 54 percent of city voters in November, has drawn criticism from homeless groups and the down-and-out themselves.

The new approach comes at a time when the city is working to bolster tourism and local businesses in a tough economy.

Many residents have welcomed the ordinance, which was spearheaded by a

neighbourhood group from 1960s counterculture haven Haight-Ashbury.

And police say enforcement is still driven by compassion.

"When you see people down on their luck, you're not trying to put them in jail — you're trying to get them what they need," said San Francisco Police spokesman Troy Dangerfield.

But while Dangerfield said the goal is not to issue citations, police say they have given more than 45 warnings to homeless people since they began enforcement on 11 March. There is some bite to the so-called Sit-Lie ordinance, which applies from 7 am to 11 pm. First-time offenders receive a verbal warning, while second-time violators can be cited and fined \$50 to \$100.—Reuters

Young adult Americans

increase daily coffee drinking

NEW ORLEANS, 20 March—Young American adults have increased the amount of coffee they drink daily in 2011, after feeling better about their finances following the global economic crisis, a survey showed on Saturday.

Forty percent of the 18- to 24-year-olds who responded to the National Coffee Association's National Coffee Drinking Trends 2011 survey said they are drinking coffee daily, compared with 31 percent in 2010.

This brought the daily coffee consumption of this age group back to levels reached in 2009, the survey showed.

"2010 was troubling for younger consumers. That's rebounded in 2011. It shows the industry is able to respond," said Michael Edwards, managing partner with ART Marketing Insight, which was involved in the survey.—Internet



A child visits an exhibition section in the Beijing meteorological museum in Nanjing, capital of east China's Jiangsu Province, 19 March, 2011. To salute to the World Meteorological Day, which falls on 23 March, the Beijing meteorological museum offered free entry to the public Saturday.—XINHUA

IBM to pay \$10 million to settle Asian bribe case

WASHINGTON, 20 March—IBM has agreed to pay \$10 million to settle charges it gave cash and gifts to Chinese and South Korean officials to win contracts for mainframe and personal computers and other products.

The agreement with the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) calls for the US computer titan to pay disgorgement of \$5.3 million, interest of \$2.7 million and a civil penalty of \$2 million.



A man walks by the IBM logo. IBM has agreed to pay \$10 million to settle charges it gave cash and gifts to Chinese and South Korean government officials, according to the US Securities and Exchange Commission.—INTERNET

Under the agreement, which is subject to court approval and was released by the SEC on Friday, IBM does not admit or deny the allegations it violated the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA).

In the complaint filed with the US District Court for the District of Columbia, the SEC outlined the accusations against IBM, which is based in Armonk, New York.

The complaint detailed instances of IBM Korea employees allegedly handing over envelopes filled with cash to South Korean officials in parking lots, providing them with free notebook computers, fiddling bid sheets and making payments to the bank account of a "hostess in a drink shop."

It said employees of IBM subsidiaries and a majority-owned joint venture provided cash and improper gifts, travel and entertainment to Chinese and South Korean government officials between 1998 and 2009.

From 1998 to 2003, employees of IBM Korea and joint venture LG IBM PC Co paid \$207,000 in cash bribes and gave improper gifts to South Korean government officials to secure the sale of IBM products, the complaint said.

Internet

Day care operator sought in child deaths surrenders

LOS ANGELES, 20 March—A woman who fled to Nigeria after a fire at her Houston, Texas day care facility that killed four children has surrendered to authorities, her mother said on Saturday.

Jessica Tata, the 22-year-old US-born daughter of Nigerian citizens, was the subject of an Interpol search after the 24 February fire at her home-based day care centre.

She has been charged with four counts of manslaughter and other charges including reckless injury to a child and child abandonment.

Reuters

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The Union of Myanmar
Civil Service Selection and Training Board
Vacancy Announcement
Announcement No. 2 / 2011
10 th Waxing of Tabaung 1372 ME
(14 March 2011)

1. Central Statistical Organization under the Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development has issued an announcement of vacancies for the following position-

Position	Vacancy	Educational Qualification
Assistant Engineer (Environment)	2	B.E (Electronics)

2. The applicants -

- (a) must be citizens of the Union of Myanmar.
- (b) must not be over 35 years of age (40 years if service personnel) on 11 April 2011
- (c) must be in good health, must be physically fit and possess well intact limbs.

(d) due to the requirement for personnel to travel to rural townships on temporary duty, priority in the selection process will be given to male candidates.

3. Applications must be sent to Office No. (17) of the Civil Service Selection and Training Board, Nay Pyi Taw in person, or by expedited Mail Service, or by registered letter not later than 11 April 2011.

4. With regards to filling in the application form, documents to be attached, mode of payment of Ks.500/- for examination fee, subjects to be studied for written examinations and personal interview, candidates applying for the vacant positions will have to follow the instructions manifested in the Guide Booklet published under Letter No. 1440/ Selection (Main) / 2009, dated 6 August 2009 (Amendment).

5. For service personnel, his or her original application altogether with the recommendation of the ministry concerned and a passport photo of the applicant must be sent to Office No. (17) of the Civil Service Selection and Training Board in Nay Pyi Taw through the Head of Department by 11 April 2011. An extra copy of the application together with photo must also be attached.

6. Written examinations will be held in Nay Pyi Taw.

7. Examinations will be held on 14 and 15 May 2011. Identity cards for candidates sitting for the examination will be issued at Office No. (17) of the Civil Service Selection and Training Board in Nay Pyi Taw commencing 12 May 2011.

8. The Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development has prescribed specific rules and regulations for successful candidates in discharge of their duties. In this context candidates wishing to obtain further information may contact in person or by phone to Office No (32) of the Central Statistical Organization of the Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development in Nay Pyi Taw (Tel: 067-406329, 067-406330).

9. For more information, applicants may contact Office No. (17) of the Civil Service Selection and Training Board in person or by phone (067 - 409052, 067 - 409430).

10. This announcement and the guide booklet for applicants may be browsed on Websites: csstb.imis.com.mm (or) ucsb.imis.com.mm and www.csstb.gov.mm (or) www.ucsb.gov.mm.

Fears for penguins being pinched from Granite Island

CANBERRA, 20 March —Vandals are regularly climbing security fences at Granite Island, in South Australia to steal penguins from the already dwindling population.

The number of penguins on the island has dropped from more than

1500 birds 10 years ago to just 146 birds counted in last August's census. Granite Island Penguin Centre co-ordinator Dorothy Longden wants the causeway to the island closed off at night to stop vandals from stealing penguins and ruining their habitat.

"We've had six penguins stolen, it's dreadful," Mrs Longden said. "We have to be serious

Dorothy Longden wants action to protect penguins on Granite Island.
INTERNET



about the penguins we have left. If we close the causeway off we might stand a chance. "We started a petition in January and have more than 1000 signatures, we want about 2000 altogether." Mrs Longden, who has worked at the penguin centre for the past seven years, said she thought thieves either set the birds free elsewhere — where they would not survive — or tried to keep them as pets. She said vandalism had always been a problem but the issue was now worse than ever.— Internet



The moon rises over east London on 19 March, 2011. Saturday will see the rise of a full moon called a "Super Moon" when it arrives at its closest point to the Earth in 2011, a distance of 221,565 miles or 356,575 kilometres away.—INTERNET

Explosion could send contamination to Ireland

DUBLIN, 20 March — Ireland could be hit with radiation if Japanese nuclear scientists fail to prevent an explosion at the stricken Fukushima nuclear power plant over the coming days. Radioactive contamination from the plant is drifting across the Pacific ocean and is unlikely to reach Ireland, but if fears of a massive explosion are realised, fallout could reach us, despite Japan being almost 10,000km away.

The Radiological Protection Institute of Ireland said it was "extremely unlikely" that any material being released from the nuclear plant would have health implications here. But Met Eireann forecaster Pat Clarke warned that if an explosion occurred, Ireland could be affected. "If there was an explosion of up to 30,000 feet, that (material) would be carried (across the world)," he said.—Internet



This undated photograph provided by Magnolia Plantation and Gardens in Charleston, SC, shows two rare albino raccoons, from left, Snowball and Nell, and a normal colour raccoon, Chance. Petting zoo director Chris Smith says that Magnolia's two raccoons are tame enough to be cared for in the exhibit but won't be part of the animals that children can pet because they're still wild animals. Smith says the albino raccoons aren't safe in the wild because their lack of colouring makes them an easy target for predators. The lack of pigment is caused by a genetic defect.—INTERNET

Death toll in floods, landslides in Philippines rises to 11

MANILA, 20 March — Death toll in landslides and floods in Central and Southern Philippines has risen to 11 while four others are missing, the National Disaster Risk and Reduction Management Council (NDRRMC) said on Sunday.

NDRRMC executive director Benito Ramos said Visayas Region in central Philippines and some parts of Mindanao in the south continue to experience rains which caused

flooding in the provinces of Bohol, Eastern Samar, Leyte, Southern Leyte, Western Samar and Misamis Oriental. "As a result, flashflood, landslides and tornado were experienced in some areas," he said.

Eight of those who died from the calamity came from Tacloban City in Leyte province, two from Bohol and one from Leyte. Those missing came from Kanga, Leyte and Bacuag, Surigao del Norte.—Xinhua

Seven cows stolen from Illinois herd

A farmer near a southern Chicago suburb said a modern-day cattle rustler made off with seven of his 64 Angus cows. John Wieggl, 63, said he hadn't had a cow disappear in 20 years before the seven were recently taken from the farm his grandfather started near Beecher, the *Chicago Tribune* reported. "I was always thinking of putting security cameras out there," Wieggl said. "If I wasn't crazy I'd probably just say, 'To hell with it' and quit."

Wieggl said the 750-pound cows, each worth \$1,000, are unmarked. Police said they have no suspects in the case. Will County Farm Bureau Director Mark Schneidewind said cattle thefts are rare in the county, which has about 75 cattle-raising families. "Unfortunately you hear or see this when you start to see some tough economic times," he said.



Supatra Sasuphan has told of her delight at being named the 'World's Hairiest Girl.' She has been teased her entire life by other children calling her "monkey face" and "wolf girl," but now the 11-year-old has been given a Guinness World Record and she says it has helped her become extremely popular at school. "I'm very happy to be in the Guinness World Records! A lot of people have to do a lot to get in," she said. "All I did was answer a few questions and then they gave it to me."

Woman hits three moose in 10 months

A Canadian woman is asking the Newfoundland government to take action after she experienced three road collisions involving moose since May 2010.

Patricia Regular of Harbour Grace, who said she totaled two cars in the moose crashes, said the large animals are increasing in number and she wants officials to do more to keep them away from roads, the Canadian Broadcasting Corp reported Thursday.

Police figures for 2010 recorded 741 collisions involving moose and vehicles in Newfoundland, twice the number from about 10 years earlier.

A citizen's group called the Save Our People Action Committee said it wants officials to reduce the moose popu-

lation in the Province.

"The numbers being doubled like we're seeing. Some-thing has to be done, and we can't wait," committee representative Eugene Nippard said.

News Album



The egg house more than 2m high, 3m long and 2m wide. Its outside wall is made of bamboo splints and gunnysacks which filled with sawdust and grass seeds for keeping warm.

Canadian charged \$609 for ambulance ride

A Canadian tourist visiting the province of Prince Edward Island said she was outraged to receive a bill of more than \$600 for an ambulance ride.

Kelly Morin of Finch, Ontario, said she was visiting Prince Edward Island with friends so she could see the Green Gables house in a national park near Charlottetown when she "started to feel very dizzy" and "passed out" on a docked ferry due to her hepatitis C, the Canadian Broadcasting Corp reported on Friday.

Morin said she felt ambulance workers didn't give her the choice to be driven to the hospital by her friends. She said she received a bill three months after the incident for \$609.

"I could have took a jet home. Come on! This is ridiculous," she said. The Ontario government does not cover out-of-province ambulance rides for its residents.

Morin said she is paying the amount in \$5-per-month installments to avoid collection activity.

"They're gouging and they're trying to get away with it," she said.



In this film publicity image released by Lionsgate, country singer Trace Adkins portrays Eddie Vogel in a scene from 'The Lincoln Lawyer.'—INTERNET

Trace Adkins passes 'Lincoln Lawyer' screen test

NASHVILLE, 20 March—Trace Adkins summed up his role in the new film "The Lincoln Lawyer" in his own succinct way when he gathered friends and media for a screening of it recently. "I'm in it at the beginning and the end and there's a buncha crap in the middle," Adkins said with a smile of the movie, which opened Friday.

He's on screen about 3 minutes, but it's another solid step in the country singer's second career with a handful of parts slated for later this year. While short, Adkins' scenes are humorous, memorable and key character development moments for star Matthew McConaughey's character, a defence attorney who operates his practice out of a Lincoln. Adkins plays a biker in the film who has engaged McConaughey to represent a member of his gang.—Internet

Jackson dad renews call for new probe of son's death

MADRID, 20 March—A week before jury selection begins in the manslaughter trial of Michael Jackson's doctor, the late singer's father renewed calls for a federal probe into his son's death based on his belief a conspiracy was at work.

Joe Jackson, in Madrid to promote a worldwide tour of the hit Spanish musical "Forever King of Pop," said on Friday he believes Dr Conrad Murray was acting on behalf of other people involved in Michael's career and said Michael had warned his family he would be killed over the publishing rights to hit songs such as "Thriller" and "Billie Jean."

"I want to get the other people that's involved, not just Dr Murray. That's why I'm trying to get a federal investigation, so they can grab them all," Jackson said.



Michael Jackson's father Joe Jackson exits a court hearing for Michael Jackson's doctor in Los Angeles on 14 June, 2010.—INTERNET

He characterized Murray as "just the fall guy," in an interview with *Reuters*, but declined to say who else he thought might be to blame in the death of his superstar son.—Reuters



In this publicity image released by Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum, a 1946 oil painting, 'Coloured Rhythm,' by the artist and textile designer Sonia Delaunay.—INTERNET

Art in motion: Sonia Delaunay textiles on view

NEW YORK, 20 March—A century ago, Sonia Delaunay and her husband, Robert, were brash young innovators in the avant-garde art world of Paris, exploring the idea that contrasting colours could be used to create a sense of movement and rhythm in art.

Sonia, who was intent on merging art and everyday life, applied this

principle of "simultaneity" (colour suggesting motion) to clothing, which naturally moves and flows with the body.

She says she realized the potential of fabric in 1911, when she made a patchwork quilt for her newborn son and saw that it evoked the abstract patterns of cubist art.

In the next decade, she began making dresses

in bold, geometric patterns that expressed the artistic ideas her husband was working out in paint on canvas.

Her unusual ability to merge fine art with fashion marked the beginning of a long career as a groundbreaking textile and fashion designer.

In 1964, she became the first living female artist to have a retrospective at the Louvre.—Internet

BARCLAYS PREMIER LEAGUE

Sunday, 20th March

Suarez and slice of luck guide Reds past Sunderland

LONDON, 20 March—A dubious penalty from Dirk Kuyt and clever piece of individual skill from Luis Suarez were enough for Liverpool to beat Sunderland 2-0 in their Premier League clash on Sunday.

Kuyt scored from 12 yards shortly after the half-hour mark after the referee incorrectly adjudged Jay Spearing to have been fouled inside the area, before Suarez fired home from an acute angle with ten minutes remaining to secure all three points at the Stadium of Light.

Kenny Dalglish turned heads before kick-off as he finally partnered January signings Andy Carroll and Suarez in attack, but it was Kuyt who would end up opening the scoring in controversial circumstances.

Jay Spearing's surging run through on goal was ended illegally by John Mensah, initially seeing referee Kevin Friend give a free-kick on the edge of the box despite the midfielder falling inside the area. But the linesman had his flag raised, and after some consultation a penalty was awarded - despite subsequent replays clearly showing the contact came



Dirk Kuyt put Liverpool ahead from the spot in fortuitous circumstances.—INTERNET

two yards outside the area.

Sunderland's players protested, but to no avail, and an unfazed Kuyt made no mistake as he calmly slotted the ball into the right-hand corner as Simon Mignolet dived the other way.

The two big money Reds signings had subsequent chances to show their worth, with Suarez denied by a fine save from Mignolet shortly after the opener and Carroll seeing his header cleared away off the line by Lee Cattermole just after half-time.

Sunderland will doubtless feel aggrieved at that decision - as well as the penalty - but in reality they can have few complaints as they failed to manage a single shot on target until the 87th minute.—Internet

Chelsea 2-0 Manchester City

David Luiz header and late Ramires strike lifts Blues above Mancini's men to keep faint title hopes alive



LONDON, 20 March—A second half pair from David Luiz and Ramires were the few moments of note in a game which saw Chelsea leap-frog Manchester City into third in the Premier League table. There was not much attacking flair on display at Stamford Bridge but perseverance won out for Carlo

Ancelotti and his side as they gained a valuable victory for the Blues.

Manchester City had arranged themselves in such a way that Chelsea would have to work hard to break them down and fashion chances for themselves. With a five man midfield to contend with, Ancelotti's men found the going tough for much of the first half.

Chelsea did open City up after 13 minutes when Salomon Kalou's run required the assistance of Ramires, but a mix up between the two resulted in the threat subsiding after Ramires brought down his own man which let City off the hook.

Roberto Mancini's favouritism for the defensive approach to the game is well known. His application of 'Catenaccio' - the Italian theory of ultra defence - is often used as a stick to beat him but when facing the current champions in their own backyard this seemed wise. This tactic worked very well for the visitors in the first half and there was little for the Chelsea fans to cheer as the congested midfield of City nullified the artillery of Chelsea.—Internet

Full Barclays Premier League table

Post	Team	P	GD	PTS
1	Man Utd	30	34	63
2	Arsenal	29	30	58
3	Chelsea	29	29	54
4	Man City	30	18	53
5	Tottenham	29	7	49
6	Liverpool	30	5	45
7	Bolton	30	1	40
8	Everton	30	1	40
9	Sunderland	30	-4	38
10	Stoke	30	-2	37
11	Newcastle	30	-1	36
12	Fulham	30	0	35
13	Blackburn	30	-12	33
14	Aston Villa	30	-14	33
15	Blackpool	30	-15	33
16	West Brom	30	-15	33
17	West Ham	30	-13	32
18	Wolves	30	-14	32
19	Birmingham	29	-13	31
20	Wigan	30	-22	30

Saha helps Everton sink Fulham

LIVERPOOL, 20 March — French striker Louis Saha scored the decisive goal as Everton beat Fulham 2-1 at Goodison Park on Saturday.

Saha's 10th goal of the season came early in the second half after Seamus Coleman had given Everton a first-half lead.

David Moyes's side had to endure a nervous finish after American midfielder Clint Dempsey reduced the deficit with 28 minutes to play, but the Toffees held on to move up to

eighth place in the Premier League.

Moyes restored captain Phil Neville and Australia midfielder Tim Cahill to his starting line-up, while Spanish midfielder Mikel Arteta was sidelined due to injury.

Internet



French striker Louis Saha

SPORTS

Answers to yesterday's Crosswords Puzzle



Djokovic, Nadal reach Indian Wells final

INDIAN WELLS, 20 March — Serbia's Novak Djokovic continued his blistering pace this season by beating Roger Federer to reach the Indian Wells final and supercede the Swiss star as world No 2.

Djokovic reached the final of the \$4.5 million



Novak Djokovic of Serbia celebrates a point during his match against Roger Federer of Switzerland.

ATP Masters 1000 event by defeating Federer 6-3, 3-6, 6-2 on Saturday to extend his match winning streak this season to 17. "I am playing the best tennis of my life," said Djokovic, who won the Australian Open in January. "It was a very close match. A lot of emotions. You could feel the intensity."

Djokovic, who won here in 2008, won 11 consecutive points in the third set to break open the match and post his third victory over 16-time major winner Federer in the past three months.—Internet

Rose takes the lead in Tampa

PALM HARBOR, 20 March — Justin Rose is coming off a year in which he won two PGA Tour events on strong golf courses. He knows what to expect from his emotions in the final round and how to stay patient amid a crowded leaderboard.

The four guys behind him have never won.

And that made Rose's



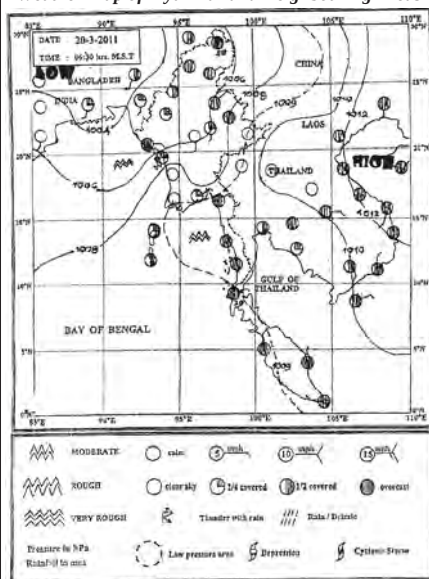
one-shot lead Saturday in the Transitions Championship seem a little larger.

"It doesn't mean it's all going to go smoothly tomorrow," Rose said. "You have to be ready for whatever happens. But at least I kind of am aware of the ups and downs, and the things I'm going to face. And I think that maybe it's a lot easier to deal with."

Rose was patient for long enough for the birdies to fall, and he shot a second straight round of 6-under 65 in more perfect conditions at Innisbrook to build a lead over Brendon de Jonge and Webb Simpson.

Internet

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Sunday, 20th March, 2011

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Upper Sagaing and Taninthayi Regions, Kachin State and weather has been partly cloudy over the remaining Regions and States. Day temperatures were (3°C) below March average temperatures in Ayeyawady Region and Kayah State, (5°C) to (6°C) below March average temperature in Bago and Yangon Regions, Eastern Shan State, (8°C) below March average temperature in Kachin State, (10°C) below March average temperatures in Upper Sagaing Region and about March average temperature in the remaining Regions and States. The significant day temperature was Minbu (38°C). The noteworthy amount of rainfall recorded was Putao (1.18) inches and Kawthong (1.14) inches.

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 19-3-2011 was 95°F. Minimum temperature on 20-3-2011 was 67°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 20-3-2011 was (56%). Rainfall on 20-3-2011 was (Nil).

Yangon (Kaba-Aye)

Maximum temperature on 19-3-2011 was 90°F. Minimum temperature on 20-3-2011 was 68°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 20-3-2011 was (68%).

Total sunshine hours on 19-3-2011 was (9.6) hour (Approx).

Rainfall on 20-3-2011 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon each. Total rainfall since 1-1-2011 was (5.79) inches at Mingaladon, (6.89) inches at Kaba-Aye and (7.09) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (6) mph from South at (17:30) hours MST on 19-3-2011.

Bay Inference: Weather is partly cloudy over the Andaman Sea and South Bay and generally fair elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 21st March

2011: Rain or thundershowers are likely to be isolated in Taninthayi and Upper Sagaing Regions, Kachin and Mon States and weather will be partly cloudy over Yangon and Ayeyawady Regions, Shan, Chin and Kayin States and generally fair in the remaining Regions and States. Degree of certainty is (60%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of continuation of isolated rain or thundershowers in the Northern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 21-3-2011: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 21-3-2011: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 21-3-2011: Generally fair weather.

Yankees tinker with Gardner as leadoff hitter

CLERWATER, (FLA), 20 March—The New York Yankees keep tinkering with their leadoff hitter.

Brett Gardner hit first, with Derek Jeter No 2, for the second time during spring training in Sunday's road game against Philadelphia. Jeter was the leadoff hitter 137 times last season, and the Yankees captain hit second on 18 occasions.

"The fans are into everything," Yankees manager Joe Girardi said. "You're talking about Derek Jeter. Anytime his name is mentioned it's going to be a big story." Gardner was first in the lineup in 25 games during 2010. The outfielder got most appearances (56) in the ninth position.

"The interesting thing is how they work together," Girardi said. "With Gardy on and running, Jeter hitting to the right side a lot. It can open up holes. You can do it 9-1 (in the lineup) as well." Moving Gardner to the top spot could mean 50 or more additional at-bats for the left fielder. But Girardi says



New York Yankees' Brett Gardner tosses his helmet after he was thrown out at the plate in the third inning of the Yankees' 6-5 loss to the Toronto Blue Jays in their spring training baseball game at Florida Auto Exchange Stadium in Dunedin, Fla, on 18 March, 2011.

INTERNET

there's added value in having Gardner hit ninth.

"Just because he is going to come up before the big boys," Girardi said. Nick Swisher's solid performance at No 2 could also impact the look of the opening day lineup. "We have other options we can

do," Girardi said. "Swish did a very good job in that role. It's something we have to decide." The manager expects no changes when it comes to Mark Teixeira, Alex Rodriguez and Robinson Cano hitting in the 3-4-5 spots.—Internet

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL
Programme Schedule
(21-3-2011) (Monday)

Transmissions

Local - (09:00am~11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission - (21-3-11 09:30 am ~ 22-3-11 09:30 am) MST

Times

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * A Passage to Lat Yat Ma Village
- * News
- * Gift of Longevity to the Old (Episode-1)
- * Current Affairs
- * "48th Myanma Gems Emporium"
- * News
- * IT Youths & Knowledge Age
- * A Benevolence Act
- * News
- * The Rising Glory of Myanmar Arts

Oversea Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * A Passage to Lat Yat Ma Village
- * News
- * Gift of Longevity to the Old (Episode-1)
- * Livistona Speciosa (Taung Htan)
- * News
- * IT Youths & Knowledge Age
- * A Benevolence Act
- * News
- * The Rising Glory of Myanmar Arts
- * News
- * Myanmar Movie Impact
- * "Shadows of the Past"
- * News
- * The Divine Beverage For You!
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Patalin Cave; A Hidden Treasure House
- * News
- * A Pilgrimage to Dhammayangyi
- * Myanmar Movie "Unchangeable Love"



Monday,
21 March
View on today

7:00 am

1. Paritta By Hilly
Region Missionary
Sayadaw
-Uppatasanti Paritta

7:30 am

2. Morning News

7:40 am

3. Dhamma Puja Song

7:50 am

4. Nice & Sweet Song

8:00 am

5. Health Programme

8:10 am

6. Song Of National
Races

8:15 am

7. Teleplay (Industry)

8:20 am

8. Cute Little Dancers

8:30 am

9. Songs in honour of
66th Anniversary
Armed Forces Day

8:40 am

10. International News

8:45 am

11. Musical Programme

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Dance of Variety

4:20 pm

3. Musical Programme

4:30 pm

4. Songs in honour of
66th Anniversary
Armed Forces Day

4:40 pm

5. University Of
Distance Education
(TV Lectures)
-Second Year
(Geography)

4:55 pm

6. Songs For
Upholding
National Spirit

5:05 pm

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

5:15 pm

9. Songs in honour of
66th Anniversary
Armed Forces Day

5:25 pm

9. Myanmar
Language

5:35 pm

10. Myanmar Idol

6:00 pm

11. Evening News

6:15 pm

12. Weather Report

6:20 pm

13. Sing & Enjoy

7:00 pm

14. TV Drama Series

7:50 pm

15. Documentary

8:00 pm

16. News

8:00 pm

17. International News

8:00 pm

18. Weather Report

8:00 pm

19. World's Stars
(Part-16)

8:00 pm

20. 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

Welaung Bridge on Yangon-Pyay-Mandalay Road commissioned into service as 263rd facility



Public Works of the Ministry of Construction on Yangon-Pyay-Mandalay Road in Taungtha Township of Myingyan District in Mandalay Region took place at the pandal near the bridge this morning.

It was attended by Chairman of Mandalay Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Central Command Brig-Gen Ye Aung, Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint, Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thuang, departmental heads, cultural troupe members, students, guests and local people.

The commander expressed thanks and the Construction minister explained facts about the bridge.

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Here come patriots

* Here come soldiers with standards
Marching in smart uniforms
In order and harmony all contingents
Martial songs reverberating up in sky
The brave with roaring success
Coming are the patriotic sons

PO YAN NAING (KYAUKKYI)

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**Newly opened
Welaung Bridge on
Yangon-Pyay-Manda-
lay Road in Taungtha
Township.—MNA**

NAY PYI TAW, 20
March—The opening
ceremony of Welaung
Bridge constructed by