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Four political objectives

* Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
* Strengthening of national solidarity
* Building and strengthening of discipline-flourishing democracy system
* Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the Constitution

Four economic objectives

* Building of modern industrialized nation through the agricultural development, and all-round development of other sectors of the economy
* Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
* Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investment 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
* Flourishing of Union Spirit, the true patriotism
* Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation

Selection of deserved title winners must be supervised for ensuring not to tarnish image of titles

Lump sums and monthly rewards must be suitable amounts in conformity with prestige of titles

NAY PYI TAW, 3 June—Vice-President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Dr Sai Mauk Kham attended the coordination meeting of the Scrutiny Committee for Conferring Honorary Titles and Medals at the hall of the President Office, here, at 10 am today.

Speaking on the occasion, Patron of the Scrutiny Committee Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham said that all the citizens are to make utmost efforts in their respective sectors for development of the country to keep abreast of other nations. Incentive and motivation are the driving forces to do work with might and main. Through incentive, one can achieve the goal with diligence, courage and perseverance by overcoming difficulties. Encouragement needs to be given to the persons who make sacrifice of their lives so that their diligence, courage and perseverance be not on the wane.

The conferring of honorary titles and medals by the State is an effective encouragement. He stressed the need to systematically scrutinize and select the outstanding persons who contributed to prevailing peace and stability and prevalence of law and order, the persons who significantly made concerted efforts in accord with the political, economic and social objectives, the persons who successfully took innovative measures in science, arts and other fields, the experts in the literary, culture and fine arts fields, the persons who are well versed in literary treatises, the persons at home and abroad who performed outstanding works for peace of the nation and the world, military persons who sacrificed their lives in State defence duty and MPF members who discharged security duty with excellent performance.

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Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham attends the coordination meeting of the Scrutiny Committee for Conferring Honorary Titles.

MNA

In addition to presentation of honorary titles, religious titles will be conferred on members of the Sangha, nuns and lay persons at home and abroad for their outstanding performance in propagation and flourishing of Buddha Sasana.

PERSPECTIVES

Saturday, 4 June, 2011

Cooperate in mutual interests

Vice-President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo received visiting US Senator Mr John McCain and party at the President Office in Nay Pyi Taw on 1 June.

"In international relations, Myanmar is trying to improve relations with any country irrespective of location and race. Based on mutual interests Myanmar will cooperate with any country if it is beneficial to Myanmar", said the Vice-President in his discussion.

The US senator in his discussion said "I believe and accept that Myanmar is on the right track. When I get back to the US, I will let the government and my colleagues know that they need to start to talk with Myanmar."

The relations between Myanmar and the US were in good condition in the post-independence period. The US cooperated with Myanmar in various sectors and provided a lot of aids. Even in the time of the Myanmar Socialists Programme Party, the US cooperated with Myanmar in many fields.

Today, Myanmar is on the track of democracy and in the process of shaping democracy. Myanmar has started practising local democracy. However, Myanmar still has to try for smooth democratization. Anyhow, the US and Myanmar are on the path of the same policy and getting closer to each other.

Myanmar is dealing amicably with regional countries, ASEAN countries and global countries. It is also paying special attention to cooperating with the UN. As to the foreign policy, Myanmar will continue exercising the independent and active non-alligned foreign policy.

Myanmar is on friendly terms with all nations in accord with the Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence. So it is believed that Myanmar and the US, which traditionally had cooperation, will see many prospects in bilateral cooperation and relations.

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**

Myanmar, Japan cooperating to combat climate change

Union Minister for Forestry U Win Tun receives Japanese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Takashi Saito.— MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 3 June—Union Minister for Forestry U Win Tun received Japanese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Takashi Saito at his office here this morning.

They held discussion about progress of the projects for greening the arid region and reestablishing mangrove forests jointly implemented by Myanmar and Japan, future joint projects, to carry out the tasks of the member countries in accord with Kyoto Protocol on climate change.—*MNA*

CPT, Japan to promote cooperation

Union CPT Minister U Thein Tun receives Japanese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Takashi Saito.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 3 June—Japanese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Takashi Saito called on Union Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs U Thein Tun at his office here this morning.

The Union minister and the ambassador discussed risk management communication system, development of rural region communication system, use of renewable energy in communication equipment, promotion of communication technologies between the two nations in accord with developing technologies.

MNA

Health Ministry to boost cooperation with Japan and PSI

Union Minister for Health Dr Pe Thet Khin receives Japanese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Takashi Saito.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 3 June—Union Minister for Health Dr Pe Thet Khin received Japanese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Takashi Saito and Third Secretary Ms Makiko Asami and Country Director Mr John David Hetherington of Population Services International (PSI) Myanmar, separately at his office here this morning.

The Union minister and the Japanese Ambassador discussed continuance of healthcare campaigns according to Myanmar-Japan cooperation programme, provision of traditional medicine kits to rural villages, construction and repair of rural health centres, promotion of Japanese assistance in vaccination campaigns, and sending health staff to Japan for study.

The Union Minister and the PSI Myanmar held discussion on more cooperation with social organizations, progress of anti-HIV/AIDS campaigns in Myanmar, cooperation of PSI in reproductive health and anti-TB campaigns, and further cooperation in future plans.

MNA

17 killed, over 50 wounded by roadside bomb in Tikrit, Iraq

Baghdad, 3 June—A roadside bomb claimed 17 lives and injured more than 50 on Friday in Iraq's northern city of Tikrit, hometown of the toppled leader Saddam Hussein, a local police source said.

The explosion happened near a mosque in the well-known Presidential Palace site when people finished their noon prayer and headed for home.

The incident killed 17 people and wounded over 50 others, some of whom were government officials, the source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity because he is not authorized to speak to the media.

The extravagant Presidential Palace which was once occupied by US. Military now houses many government offices and a police headquarter. Tikrit, some 170 km north of Baghdad, is the capital city of the Sunni-dominated Salahuddin Province which is rife with violence and attacks.—*MNA/Xinhua*

The remains of a vehicle damaged in an explosion are seen the morning after four blasts killed several people in Ramadi, 70 miles (115 kilometers) west of Baghdad, Iraq, on 3 June, 2011.
INTERNET

South Korean technicians conduct a ground-penetrating radar survey of alleged burial of a highly toxic defoliant at Camp Carroll, a US army logistics base, in Waegwan in Chilgok county, 216-km (135 miles) southeast of Seoul, on 2 June, 2011.
INTERNET

US soldiers cite buried toxic chemical in S Korea

SEOUL, 3 June—Steve House can't stop thinking about the day in 1978 when he says he helped bury toxic Agent Orange at a US military base in South Korea, hauling rusting drums to a ditch from a warehouse that soldiers called "voodoo land."

After decades of silence and countless hours of suffering that he links to exposure to the dangerous herbicide, House is one of three former American soldiers whose accounts have sparked a joint US-South Korean investigation.

The allegations have set off a media firestorm in South Korea, fueling daily TV news shows, front-page newspaper stories and worries among people near the base about groundwater safety, cancer and drops in land prices.

House claims that soldiers at Camp Carroll in southern South Korea took a large number of 55-gallon drums, fragile with rust and stamped with the words "Agent Compound Orange," from the mysterious, restricted warehouse and carried them over crisp dead grass into a deep ditch the length of a soccer field.

Internet

Mexico seizes 154 rifles from buried cartel cache

MEXICO CITY, 3 June—Mexican soldiers found a large buried cache of weapons apparently stockpiled by a drug cartel, including 154 rifles and shotguns and more than 92,000 rounds of ammunition, the Defence Department said Friday.

The cache included four mortar shells, two rocket-propelled grenades, dozens of assault rifles, sniper rifles and two bows.

It was found in an underground chamber at a ranch near the industrial city of Monclova in the northern state of Coahuila earlier this week and included more than 4,600 rifle magazines, said Army Gen. Edgar Luis Villegas. He did not specify what day. Villegas said the weapons apparently belonged to the Zetas cartel, which has been fighting the Sinaloa cartel and other drug gangs for control of the border state.—*Internet*

A British oil refinery. Four people have been killed in an explosion at a Chevron oil refinery near Pembroke in Wales, police said Friday.
INTERNET

Four killed in Welsh refinery blast

LONDON, 3 June—Four people have been killed in an explosion at a Chevron oil refinery near Pembroke, Wales, police said Friday.

"Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service received a call (Thursday) at 18:22 pm (17:22 GMT) reporting an explosion at Chevron Oil Refinery at Pembroke Dock," chief superintendent Gwyn Thomas said in a statement.

"Paramedics have confirmed that four people lost their lives as a result of the incident," continued the Dyfed Powys police statement.

According to the force, a 730 cubic metres storage tank exploded while maintenance work was being carried out.

A police investigation was launched Friday into what Thomas described as "a tragic industrial incident". Around 50 fire fighters extinguished the resulting blaze, the fire service said.

"Crews from Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue assisted the onsite Chevron fire personnel throughout the operation," assistant chief fire officer Chris Davies said in a statement. "The fire itself was extinguished quickly and the crews worked to make the scene safe for police to start their investigation," he added.

Chevron earlier released a statement saying "all appropriate action" had been taken in response to the situation.—*Internet*

Nine killed in series of explosions in western Iraq

BAGHDAD, 3 June—A series of bombings ripped through the capital of Iraq's western Anbar Province Thursday night, killing nine people, Iraqi officials said.

The blasts in what was the heartland of the al-Qaeda-led militancy are a reminder of the danger still facing Iraq, as it prepares for the departure of the remaining US troops by the end of this year.

A police officer and hospital official said at least 25 people were also injured in the explosions.

The bomb explosions appeared coordinated to maximize deaths. A police official said two roadside bombs went off near the market, and then a parked car bomb exploded when police arrived on the scene. Then another parked car bomb exploded near the hospital where the injured were taken, the official said.—*Internet*

Pakistani-Afghan border clashes kill 70

BEIJING, 3 June—Over seventy people have been killed in one of the deadliest clashes in months along the Pakistani-Afghan border. Among the dead are 27 Pakistani troops and 45 militants.

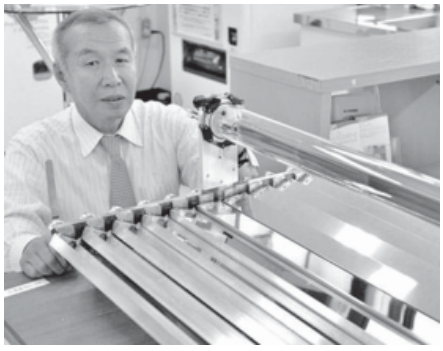
Violence erupted after hundreds of militants from Afghanistan stormed a Pakistani checkpoint. The assault went on for almost 24 hours. Police say many of the attackers have now fled back to Afghanistan. Pakis-tan's northwestern border with Afghanistan is home to thousands of local and international al-Qaeda and Taleban fighters.

In the wake of the latest attack, Pakistan is calling for stern action against militants in Afghanistan by the US-led foreign forces.

Xinhua

Displaced residents walk near makeshift houses belonging to them in Baghdad on 30 May, 2011. An estimated 1.5 million Iraqis left their homes during the brutal sectarian slaughter that saw tens of thousands killed in 2006-07.
INTERNET

Science



Takashi Tomita, a Tokyo University professor and researcher for Japanese electronics giant Sharp, displays an innovative solar power panel using moving mirrors that follow the sun throughout the day, at a preview in Tokyo, on 3 June.
INTERNET

NASA to measure salt in world's oceans

PASADENA, 3 June—A NASA instrument will measure salt levels in Earth's oceans, a factor considered a key driver of ocean processes and the word's climate, researchers say.

The Aquarius instrument, set to launch this month aboard a satellite built by Argentina's space agency, will use its salt-seeking sensors to make comprehensive measurements of ocean surface salinity with the precision needed to help researchers better determine how Earth's ocean interacts with the atmosphere to influence climate, a release for NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif, said Thursday.

This salinity is a key indicator of how Earth's freshwater moves between the ocean, land and atmosphere, the release said. "We ultimately want to predict climate change and have greater confidence in our predictions," Aquarius principal investigator Gary Lagerloef said. "But, a climate model's forecast skill is only as good as its ability to accurately represent modern-day observations." Density-driven ocean circulation, Lagerloef said, is controlled as much by salinity as by ocean temperature. Sea salt makes up only 3.5 percent of the world's ocean, but its relatively small presence introduces huge consequences.—*Internet*

Yangtze River dolphin population to decrease by 80% in 30 years

YUEYANG, 3 June—The population of finless porpoises, an endangered species of freshwater dolphin that lives in China's Yangtze River, may decrease by over 80 percent over the next 30 years, experts said on Thursday after conducting a field survey along the river.

The rare species will edge closer to extinction if no action is taken, said Wang Ding, a dolphin expert from the Hydrobiology Institute of the Chinese Academy of Sciences.

Wang's team conducted a survey on Poyang Lake, Dongting Lake and other locations along the Yangtze from Sunday to Wednesday this week.

The dolphin population currently stands at 1,000, even lower than that of the giant panda, Wang said.

The dolphin population is decreasing by a rate of 6.4 percent annually, Wang said.—*Xinhua*

Truck-size asteroid zips close by Earth

NEW YORK, 3 June—An asteroid the size of a small motorhome zoomed near Earth (1 June), coming closer to us than the moon ever does.

The 23-foot-long (7-metre) space rock, named 2009 BD, came within 215,000 miles (346,000 kilometres) of Earth at around 8:51 pm EDT (0051 GMT on 2 June). The moon's average distance from us is about 239,000 miles (385,000 km).

2009 BD never threatened to hit Earth on this pass, researchers said. But even if the asteroid had slammed into us, it wouldn't have been a big deal.

Internet

Technology

Google, Bing and Yahoo are working together to enable websites to tag content in a way that lets search engines better categorize and prioritize the information in results.—INTERNET

Search giants make websites easier to find

SAN FRANCISCO, 3 June—Google, Bing and Yahoo are working together to enable websites to tag content in a way that lets search engines better categorize and prioritize the information in results.

The Internet rivals launched a schema.org initiative to promote a common format to "markup" Web pages with data detailing for search engines exactly what sites contain.

A variety of options are available to website makers when it comes to marking up pages, and the search engines believe a common standard will mean less work for publishers and more accuracy in ranking results.

"We want to continue making the open Web richer and more useful," Google fellow Ramanathan Guha said in a blog post.

"We know that it takes time and effort for webmasters to add this markup to their pages, and adding markup is much harder if every search engine asks for data in a different way." The schema.org website was intended as a "one-stop shop" for website makers when it comes to creating the data tags to describe content to search engines.

"We want to enable publishers to give us hints about what things they are describing on their sites," Bing partner programme manager Steve Macbeth said in an online post. "We at Bing see this as a major step forward for the Web, simplification for webmasters and richer more informative search results for consumers."

Internet

Microsoft unveils "Windows 8"

SAN FRANCISCO, 3 June—Microsoft on Wednesday gave a preview of its next-generation operating system code-named "Windows 8."

The software giant introduced the successor to Windows 7 at the ninth edition of *The Wall Street Journal*'s Digital: All Things Digital in Rancho Palos Verdes, California, some 48 km south of Los Angeles.

With an interface quite different from legacy Windows, Windows 8 looks more like Windows Phone 7 and features an app management from Windows mobile operating system.

Xinhua

Lenovo intends to buy control of Germany's Medion

BEIJING, 3 June—Lenovo Group Ltd, China's biggest maker of personal computer, aimed to buy control of Medion AG, a multimedia and consumer electronics maker, to double its market share in Germany, the *China Daily* reported Thursday.

The purchase will be Lenovo's biggest acquisition since it acquired International Business Machines Corp's PC business in 2004. Lenovo estimated that after the acquisition, it will be the third-largest PC company in Germany, which is Europe's largest PC market. Lenovo will have more than 14 percent of the German and 7.5 percent of the Western European PC market, the newspaper said.

Chief Executive Officer Yang Yuanqing said the deal will complement both Lenovo's core PC business and new businesses, which are key areas for development.

The Chinese PC maker said it hopes the deal will be completed in August and that it will acquire 50 to 75 percent of the Medion AG's stock, according to the newspaper.

Lenovo was ranked the fourth-largest PC company and held a 9.9 percent market share worldwide in the first quarter of 2011.—*Xinhua*

The Logo of Medion AG is seen in a supermarket in Berlin, capital of Germany, on 1 June, 2011.
XINHUA

Health

Workers make pork products in a workshop of Jiyuan Shuanghui Food Co, Ltd in Jiyuan City, central China's Henan Province, on 2 June, 2011. The Jiyuan Shuanghui Food Co, Ltd, the one that is involved in the clenbuterol pork meat scandal, has resumed production since 2 June after suspending production for rectification for two months.

XINHUA

Second possible E coli patient hospitalized in Poland

WARSAW, 3 June — A possible second E coli infection patient has been hospitalized in Szczecin, northwestern Poland, Health Minister Ewa Kopacz said Thursday.

The man, who recently returned to Poland from Germany, has been diagnosed with exudative diarrhea and is currently being tested for E coli bacteria.

Poland's first E coli case, a 29-year-old woman permanently residing in Germany and diagnosed with the bacteria over a week ago, is currently in the same hospital.

Kopacz said sanitary teams were running E coli checks countrywide, especially on marketplaces and in warehouses.

The E coli epidemic originated in Germany, where it has taken 17 lives.

One death has so far occurred in Sweden, bringing the total death toll to 18.

Xinhua

Health Tip: Signs that you may have pinkeye

Conjunctivitis, commonly called pinkeye, is an infection or inflammation of the membrane that lines the eyelids.

The cause is most often a virus, but a bacterial infection, allergies, exposure to chemicals or use of contact lenses also may be triggers.

Pinkeye is not only uncomfortable, but usually very contagious.

The ADAM Encyclopedia says these are common symptoms of pinkeye:

* Red eyes.
* Crusty eyelids that develop overnight.
* Eyes that itch and tear up more than usual.
* A feeling of grit in the eyes.
* Blurred vision.
* Sensitivity to light.—*Internet*

Clot risk spurs FDA review of birth control pills

WASHINGTON, 3 June—US regulators will assess the safety of Bayer birth control pills as a result of two new studies suggesting they pose a higher-than-expected risk of serious blood clots.

Expressing concerns about the hormone drospirenone found in Bayer's Yaz, Yasmin, Beyaz and Safyral products the Food and Drug Administration said in a statement Tuesday it has commissioned an 800,000-person study to review the risks. Drospirenone is a type of progestin used in combination with another female hormone, estrogen.

Women taking the drospirenone-containing birth control pills had a two to three times greater risk of blood clots compared with women taking pills containing a different type of progestin, according to the studies published in *BMJ*, the *FDA* said. Because other studies have had conflicting results, the agency said it wants to conduct its own review. It expects to have the results this summer.

All birth control pills carry some clotting risk. Symptoms include leg or chest pain or sudden shortness of breath. Women with concerns should talk to their doctor, the *FDA* said.—*Internet*

Business

US seals deal to sell Chrysler stake

WASHINGTON, 3 June —The US Treasury has said it reached an agreement to sell the government's stake in Chrysler Group for an estimated $560 million to Italian automaker Fiat.

With the deal, the Treasury "will have fully exited" its investment in Chrysler under the Troubled Asset Relief Programme (TARP).

"As Treasury exits its investment in Chrysler, it's clear that President (Barack) Obama's decision to stand behind and restructure this company was the right one," Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner said in a statement.

"Today, America's automakers are mounting one of the most improbable turnarounds in recent history creating new jobs and making new investments in communities across our country."

The logo of auto firm Chrysler is seen in Los Angeles, California. The US Treasury has said it reached an agreement to sell the government's stake in Chrysler Group for an estimated $560 million to Italian automaker Fiat.

INTERNET

Fiat agreed to pay Treasury $500 million for its 98,461 shares of Chrysler.

Treasury also held the right to proceeds above a certain threshold received by the United Auto Workers retiree trust from the trust's sale of Chrysler equity, as well as a right to purchase all of the shares retained by the UAW retiree trust that Fiat will purchase for $75 million.

Treasury will receive 80 percent of the proceeds ($60 million) from that $75 million, while the Canadian government will obtain 20 percent of the proceeds ($15 million).

In May, Chrysler repaid $5.1 billion in Treasury loans six years ahead of schedule.

Internet

Canada, Russia reinforce aerospace, economic ties

OTTAWA, 3 June — Canada and Russia have agreed to strengthen their economic ties and increase cooperation in both aerospace and scientific research in the Artic, the home of vast hydrocarbon reserves.

Canadian Minister of International Trade Ed Fast and Russian First Vice-Premier Viktor Zoubkov signed the joint declaration in Ottawa between the two countries with the biggest territories in the world as part of their Eighth Intergovernmental Economic Commission meeting.

"With trade representing some 60 percent of our economy, deepening our relationship with key countries like Russia is vital to our economic recovery," said Fast.

"As a fast-growing economy, Russia offers great potential for Canadian companies, which would strengthen our economic growth and lead to more jobs." Bilateral trade with Russia totaled $2.8 billion in 2010, an increase of 12.3 percent from the previous year, according to Canadian government figures.

The two countries also signed a memorandum of understanding on aerospace to develop strategies to make the sector in both countries more globally competitive. In addition, the land giants signed a statement on science and technology cooperation to map out possible collaborative areas in climate studies, energy, nanotechnology, biomedicine and Arctic research.

Internet

A Canadian Coast Guard vessel (L) refuels a military ship in the Canadian Arctic. Canada and Russia have agreed to strengthen their economic ties and increase cooperation in both aerospace and scientific research in the Artic, the home of vast hydrocarbon reserves.

INTERNET

Cyber attacks constant, Australia says

SYDNEY, 3 June—Australia's attorney-general said cyber attacks had become so frequent that government and private networks were under "continuous threat", testing online security defences.

But Robert McClelland on Friday declined to single out China, at the centre of hacking allegations from Internet giant Google, saying the "Australian government's position is not to identify a source of suspected espionage."

"The reality is espionage can be unquestionably undertaken by other countries, by organied criminals, or indeed by business competitors," he said.

McClelland said it was "unquestionably" in Australia's interest to stay ahead of the evolving, and mounting, cyber threats, as he announced a white paper on the future of Australia's Internet security to be published in 2012.

"Security agencies are finding malicious activity is increasing to a point where systems in both government and the private sector are under continuous threat," he said in a speech to business leaders on cyber crime.

"The cyber threat to Australia is real, evolving and continuing to test our defences."

Foreign intelligence agencies, criminal organizations and commercial competitors were all to blame, with electronic spying cheap and low risk but with huge potential gains, he added.

Internet

Sculptor Mark Coreth (R) works on the carving of an ice polar bear at Circular Quay in central Sydney 3 June, 2011. The ice polar bear will gradually melt as people are encouraged to touch and feel the melting ice, which symbolise the plight of polar bears in the Arctic where melting ice caps are threatening their survival.—INTERNET

Philippines files charges over smuggled corals

MANILA, 3 June—Philippine officials have filed criminal charges against several people linked to a huge shipment of endangered sea turtles and rare black corals.

The shipment's seizure last month has raised alarm that the archipelago's rich marine life is being devastated by the illegal trade.

Customs Commissioner Angelito Alvarez filed the case Friday at the Justice Department against the owner, consignee, shippers and haulers of the 35 million peso ($808,000) cargo.

They are facing charges of violating the ban on coral exploitation and exportation and related offences. Exequiel Navarro, who is listed in the shipment's manifest as the consignee, has denied the charges saying he was not aware what was in the cargo.—*Internet*

Filipino workers arrange rare black corals and endangered green sea turtles as they are presented to media in Manila, Philippines on 30 May, 2011.
INTERNET

Forest fire area reduced in Russia's Far East

VLADIVOSTOK, 3 June—Firefighters have managed to reduce the area of forest fires by about 20 percent in Russia's Far Eastern Region of Yakutia over the past week, local forest authorities said Thursday. Thirty-four fires burned 86,500 hectares of Yakutia forests last week. Firefighters had put out nine spots of fire over an area of more than 15,000 hectares, sources said.

Planes and helicopters dropped more than 750 tons of water on forest fires. More than 1,000 people joined the efforts to put out wildfires on the ground, and 106 smoke jumpers, wildland firefighter who parachute into the area are leading the efforts. To prevent the reoccurrence of wildfires, people are prohibited from entering the forests. A state of emergency was declared last week in eight districts of Yakutia and in the city of Yakutsk. —*Xinhua*

Mud turtles crawl inside a basket as they are shown to the Press during a News conference by Thai customs in Bangkok, Thailand, on 2 June, 2011. authorities say 431 turtles and other rare reptiles were stuffed into four suitcases and smuggled into the Bangkok airport.
INTERNET

Luggage stuffed with 431 reptiles found in Bangkok

BANGKOK, 3 June—Thai customs authorities say 431 turtles and other rare reptiles were stuffed into four suitcases and smuggled into the Bangkok Airport.

Gharials a type of crocodile native to India — and Indian star and roofed tortoises were among the species found in the luggage Wednesday.

Customs Department Director-General Prasong Poontaneat says many of the reptiles are endangered and international trade is banned. They were discovered when an Indian traveller arriving from Bangladesh failed to retrieve his bags.

Prasong said the animals would be held for evidence and taken care of by wildlife officials. Thailand is a hub for the illegal wildlife trade. A smuggling attempt thwarted last month involved two leopards, two panthers, an Asiatic black bear and two macaque monkeys all juveniles about the size of puppies.

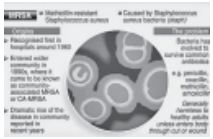
Internet

New MRSA 'superbug' found in cow's milk

LONDON, 3 June—An entirely new strain of the drugresistant MRSA superbug has been found in cow's milk and people in Britain and Denmark, a study published on Friday said.

The previously unseen variant "potentially poses a public health problem," said lead researcher Mark Holmes, senior lecturer in preventive veterinary medicine at Britain's Cambridge University.

There was no general threat to the safety of pasteurised milk and dairy products, but people working with animals could be at risk, said the study published in *The Lancet Infectious Diseases.*



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Dubbed a "flesh-eating" bacteria in media reports, methicillin-resistant Staphy-lococcus aureus (MRSA) has emerged as a major threat in hospitals around the world, becoming potentially deadly when it infects wounds.

"Although there is circumstantial evidence that dairy cows are providing a reservoir of infection, it is still not known for certain if cows are infecting people, or people are infecting cows.

This is one of the many things we will be looking into next," Holmes told a news conference on Thursday.

"Drinking milk or eating meat is not a health issue, as long as the milk is pasteurized," he said, adding that the process of making cheese also "generally kills most of the bacteria".

Internet

Mexico charges criminal tied to mass killings

MEXICO CITY, 3 June —Mexico has filed charges against the alleged leader of a ruthless cell of the Zetas drug cartel who authorities say masterminded the mass killings of more than 250 people in a northern border state.

The federal Attorney General's Office says Martin Estrada Luna is charged with organized crime, kidnapping, drug trafficking and illegal possession of firearms.

Prosecutors said after Estrada Luna's April arrest that he was responsible for the slayings of 72 migrants last August and 183 people months later in Tamaulipas state, but he has not been charged with the killings.

The 34-year-old high school dropout was born in Mexico and grew up in the US, where he had a rap sheet of petty crimes. He was deported to Mexico in 2009.

Internet

Hackers claim new Sony cyberattack

WASHINGTON, 3 June—Hackers have claimed to have compromised more than one million passwords, email addresses and other information from SonyPictures.com in the latest cyberattack on the Japanese electronics giant.

The claim was made by a group of hackers calling themselves "Lulz Security," who published a number of files online containing lists of thousands of stolen email addresses and passwords.

"We recently broke into SonyPictures.com and compromised over 1,000,000 users' personal information, including passwords, email addresses, home addresses, dates of birth, and all Sony opt-in data associated with their accounts," Lulz Security said. "Due to a lack of resources on our part we were unable to fully copy all of this information," the group said. "In theory we could have taken every last bit of information, but it would have taken several more weeks."—*Internet*

***Hackers have claimed to have compromised more than one million passwords, email addresses and other information from SonyPictures.com in the latest cyberattack on the Japanese electronics giant.*—INTERNET**

30 years after first AIDS cases, hope for a cure

WASHINGTON, 3 June—Sunday marks 30 years since the first AIDS cases were reported in the United States. And this anniversary brings fresh hope for something many had come to think was impossible: finding a cure.

The example is Timothy Ray Brown of San Francisco, the first person in the world apparently cured of AIDS. His treatment isn't practical for wide use, but there are encouraging signs that other approaches might someday lead to a cure, or at least allow some people to control HIV without needing medication every day.

"I want to pull out all the stops to go for it," though cure is still a very difficult goal, said Dr Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. For now, the focus remains on preventing new infections.

With recent progress on novel ways to do that and a partially effective vaccine, "we're starting to get the feel that we can really get our arms around this pandemic," Fauci said. More than 25 million people have died of AIDS since the first five cases were recognized in Los Angeles in 1981.

Internet

This 16 May, 2011 photo shows Timothy Ray Brown, the only man ever known to have been apparently cured from AIDS, with his dog, Jack, on Treasure Island in San Francisco.
INTERNET

Red colour increases speed, strength of reactions

WASHINGTON, 3 June—When humans see red, their reactions become both faster and more forceful, according to a new study published this week in the US bimonthly journal *Emotion*.

The findings may have applications for sporting and other activities in which a brief burst of strength and speed is needed, such as weightlifting. But the authors caution that the colour energy boost is likely short-lived.

The study measured the reactions of students in two experiments. In the first, 30 fourth-through-10th graders pinched and held open a metal clasp. Right before doing so, they read aloud their participant number written in either red or gray crayon. In the second experiment, 46 undergraduates squeezed a handgrip with their dominant hand as hard as possible when they read the word "squeeze" on a computer monitor. The word appeared on a red, blue, or gray background.

Xinhua

***A car is lifted ontop another from a tornado the day before in West Springfield, Mass, on 2 June, 2011.*—INTERNET**

Mass towns give thanks tornado toll wasn't worse

MONSON, 3 June—The sight of flattened homes, peeled-off roofs and the toppled steeple of a 140-year-old church stunned New Englanders after deadly tornadoes swept through Massachusetts, striking an area of the country that rarely sees such severe twisters.

The storms, which came with fair warning but still shocked with their intensity, killed at least three people, injured about 200 and wreaked damage in a string of 18 cities and villages across central and western Massachusetts.

If the National Weather Service agrees Wednesday's three deaths are tornado-related, it would bring the year's US toll to 522 and make this year the deadliest for tornadoes since 1950. The highest recorded toll was 519 in 1953; four deaths from Joplin, Mo, that were added Thursday tied the record. There were deadlier years before 1950, but those counts were based on estimates.

Internet

Russia lays out conditions for EU vegetable ban removal

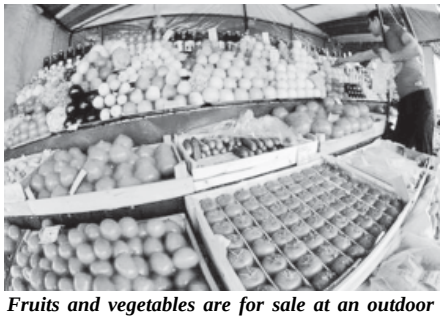
MOSCOW, 3 June—Russia said Thursday it would need to be convinced that Europe has a lethal bacteria outbreak under control before lifting a ban on vegetable imports from the European Union.

The Russian consumer watchdog said that "the competent structures" from Germany or the European Union should confirm the "reasons for the epidemic" of supposed E coli in Germany and a number of other European countries.

They should also establish how and through which foodstuffs the bacteria was being transmitted and pinpoint the origin of contaminated foods, the consumer watchdog, Rospotrebnadzor, said in a statement.

European officials should also prove the situation has been taken under control and release a list of measures that have prevented the disease from spreading further.

"Receiving the above-listed information will allow to drastically correct the situation and prevent the disease from spreading among the Russian population, with traders sustaining minimal losses," the consumer watchdog known said in the statement posted on its website.—*Internet*



***Fruits and vegetables are for sale at an outdoor mini market in Moscow. Russia said Thursday it would need to be convinced that Europe has a lethal bacteria outbreak under control before lifting a ban on vegetable imports from the European Union.*—INTERNET**

Mexico finds possible US remains from 1846-48 war

MEXICO CITY, 3 June—Archaeologists said Thursday they have found 10 sets of skeletal remains that may belong to US soldiers who died during a battle in the 1846-48 Mexican-American war. The government experts said the shape of the skulls and bone measurements suggest the skeletons belonged to Americans who were killed in the battle of Monterrey on 21-23 Sep, 1846. Archaeologist Araceli Rivera said the height of the skeletons — between 5 feet, 7 inches (175 centimetres) and 5 feet, 9 inches — and "Caucasian" skull features indicated they were Americans.

The finds made during digging between January and mid-May came in the same area of the northern city of Monterrey where a total of 10 other sets of remains have been discovered during excavations since 1995. The archaeologists are digging in the area because a construction company plans to build there.

Internet

Selection of the deserved title winners must...

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abroad for their outstanding performance in propagation and flourishing of Buddha Sasana.

Selection of the deserved title winners must be supervised for ensuring not to tarnish the image of titles. He stressed the need to carry out the tasks through correct ways without taking bribery for honorary titles and medals. In presenting the outstanding awards, it is necessary to scrutinize the persons who value and adore the titles and medals awarded by the State and the persons with excellent performances in respective sectors. He stressed the need to consider the suitable amount of lump sums and monthly rewards for the titles and medals in line with the present period.

The Vice-President invited the suggestions from those present for awarding State level honorary titles and medals with high value and norms.

The Union Minister for Home Affairs reported on procedures for awarding the honorary titles and medals.

The Union Minister for Finance and Revenue, the Union Minister for Religious Affairs, the Deputy Attorney-General, the Vice-Chief of Armed Forces Training, the Vice Adjutant-General and those present participated in the discussions.

The Vice-President urged the scrutiny committee members to exactly follow the rules and regulations. The lump sums and monthly rewards awarded by the State must be suitable amounts in conformity with prestige of the titles, and these amounts should not be burden for the State.

MNA

Union Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung making discussion.
MNA

Union Construction Minister calls for availability of roads in rainy season

NAY PYI TAW, 3 June—Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint met superintending engineers and deputy superintending engineers of Road/Bridge/Airport/ Building Special Construction Groups from states and regions of Public Works at his ministry yesterday morning.

The Union minister called for coordination with respective state or region governments, improvement of works of the ministry, and availability of roads in monsoon.

The deputy ministers gave instructions on responsibilities of the ministry and respective state/region superintendent engineers elaborated on works in progress and follow-up tasks.

MNA

Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint meeting superintending engineers and deputy superintending engineers.
MNA

Mines Ministry finds 495 coalmine deposits; much more potentials

NAY PYI TAW, 3 June—Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik in meeting with coalmine entrepreneurs at the ministry here today said that Ministry of Mines has found 495 sites in taking measures to explore coalmine resources deadly needed for industrial development, electric power plants, fertilizer plants, cement plants and other industries in Myanmar.

He continued that although coalmine deposits found in Myanmar till now are small in size at international level, there remain prospects for many deposits to be discovered by extending searching works. In 2010-2011 financial year, 0.532 million tons of coal were produced and it is needed to enhance production rate in 2011-2012 financial year. Moreover, it is also needed to develop Clean Coal Technology for environmental conservation.

Next, the attendees took part in the discussion under the topic on environmental impact assessment of coal project and boosting coalmine production.—*MNA*

Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik delivers an address in meeting with coal entrepreneurs.—**MNA**

Nay Pyi Taw Council Chairman assigns planning duties to officials

Union Minister at the President Office Chairman of Nay Pyi Taw Council U Thein Nyunt giving assignments to personnel.
MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 3 June—Union Minister at the President Office Chairman of Nay Pyi Taw Council U Thein Nyunt delivered an address at year-wise project assignment ceremony in Nay Pyi Taw Council Area 2011-2012 fiscal year at the hall of the council yesterday morning.

An official reported on implementation for 2011-2012 fiscal year which is the first year of fifth five-year short-term plan for Nay Pyi Taw Council Area.

The Chairman of the council assigned duties to administrators of Tatkon, Zeyathiri, Pyinmana, Lewe, Ottarathiri, Pobbathiri, Zabuthiri and Dekkhinathiri townships of Nay Pyi Taw Council Area and departmental officials.—*MNA*

Myanmar foodstuff fair kicks off

YANGON, 3 June—The second Myanmar Foodstuffs Fair kicked off at Tatmadaw Convention Hall on U Wisara Road in Dagon Township here this morning, attended by Yangon Region Chief Minister U Myint Swe.

The foodstuffs fair was held with a view to enabling the public to observe Myanmar-made foodstuffs at one place, expanding domestic and foreign market, developing foodstuff production technology and encouraging the businessmen in the foodstuff industry to produce safe-to-consume quality foodstuffs.

A total of 76 companies are exhibiting various kinds of foodstuffs at 125 booths. The fair ends on 5 June.

MNA

Revenue management to continue in national interest

NAY PYI TAW, 3 June—Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun inspected the Stamp Revenue Division of the Internal Revenue Department under the Ministry of Finance and Revenue here on 1 June.

He inspected the court room for revenue appellate cases. In meeting with staff, the minister called on officers to inspire staff to realize the State's objectives and goals and functions of the department and to be loyal to the State. He noted that staff should not be complacent about present success of the department, but have to continue management of revenues in the national interest.—*MNA*

Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun inspects Court room for revenue appellate cases. **MNA**

English Language Proficiency Course (Advanced level) for staff of Religious Affairs Ministry concludes

NAY PYI TAW, 3 June—English Language Proficiency Course (Advanced Level) No. 2 for staff of the Ministry of Religious Affairs concluded at the ministry here this morning.

Union Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung delivered a speech on the occasion and awarded the first, second and third prize winners and certificates of completion.—*MNA*

***Union Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung addresses at the concluding ceremony of English Language Proficiency Course (Advanced level) for staff of the ministry.*—MNA**

Attorney-General urges staff to follow rules and regulations

YANGON, 3 June—Union Attorney-General Dr Tun Shin met Advocate-General U Kyaw Moe Naing and district/township level law officers at Advocate-General Office in Yangon Region this morning. The Attorney-General called for paying attention to law and management works in line with issued rules and regulations.

MNA

***Union Attorney-General Dr Tun Shin speaking to district and township level law officers at Advocate-General Office in Yangon Region.*—MNA**

RUMFCCI receives Governor of Mae Hong Son Province of Thailand

YANGON, 2 June—President U Win Aung of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry, and party received a delegation led by Governor Mr Gumtorn Thavornstit of Mae Hong Son Province of Thailand, at RUMFCCI Office on 31 May.

At the call, they discussed matters relating to boosting trade and investment, cooperation in tourism, border areas development, and economic opportunity in Myanmar.—*MNA*

***RUMFCCI President U Win Aung and party receives Governor Mr Gumtorn Thavornstit from Mae Hong Son Province of Thailand and party.*—MNA**

Stipend, school uniform, stationery provided for children of staff

NAY PYI TAW, 3 June—Union Minister for Sports and for Hotels and Tourism U Tint Hsan attended the ceremony to provide stipend, school uniform and stationery to offspring of staff members of Ministry of Sports held at Ministry of Sports here today.

The Union Minister presented assistance worth K 10,960,000 for 1287 students who are offspring of the staff of the Sports Ministry.

MNA

Measures for proper drainage in Myitkyina inspected

NAY PYI TAW, 3 June—Kachin State Chief Minister U La John Ngan Hsai, together with the State Minister for Development Affairs, inspected beautifying tasks, proper drainage work, digging of ditches on both sides of Khayebin Street in Myitkyina and construction of concrete bridges on some streets in Myitkyina being implemented by Myitkyina Development Affairs Committee yesterday afternoon.—*MNA*

100 tons of firewood distributed to 300 households in Thazi Township

NAY PYI TAW, 2 June—Thazi Township Forest Department distributed 100 tons of firewood to 300 households in Kywetatkon Village, Thazi Township, Meiktila District, Mandalay Region for first rime.

Forest Department of Meiktila District will grow 170,000 saplings in townships in the district, during 2011 rainy season so as to meet firewood demand of local people. Forest Department fulfills the requirement of local people, which help contribute to conservation of natural environments.—*MNA*

Food pyramid out, 'My Plate' in for healthy eating

***This undated handout image provided by the Agriculture Department shows the department's new healthy eating symbol: My Plate.—*INTERNET**

WASHINGTON, 3 June— There's a new US symbol for healthful eating: The Agriculture Department unveiled "My Plate" on Thursday, abandoning the food pyramid that had guided many Americans but merely confused others.

The new guide is divided into four slightly different-sized quadrants, with fruits and vegetables taking up half the space and grains and protein making up the other half. The vegetables and grains portions are the largest of the four. Gone are the old pyramid's references to sugars, fats or oils. What was once a category called "meat and beans" is now simply "proteins," making way for seafood and vegetarian options like tofu. Next to the plate is a blue circle for dairy, which could be a glass of milk or a food such as cheese or yogurt.

Some critics, including congressional Republicans, have charged the Obama administration of reaching too far in trying to make Americans eat healthier, especially when it comes to new rules that tell schools what children can eat on campus.—*Internet*

***This illustration photo shows cooks preparing food at a restaurant in Japan's Iwate Prefecture.* INTERNET**

Australia says Japan E coli outbreak from processing

SYDNEY, 3 June— Australian livestock officials said an E coli outbreak in Japan may have involved Australian meat, but that it was most likely contaminated during processing in Japan.

Some 15 diners were infected with the O157 strain of E coli bacteria after eating at a Korean-style barbecue restaurant a Japanese outlet on 6 May. All have since recovered.

Meat and Livestock Australia regional manager in Japan Melanie Brock on Friday said the outbreak was being investigated but there had been no official confirmation of the source of the beef involved.

"At this stage what we need to determine is at exactly what point the contamination has taken place," she told ABC Radio.

"We believe it has taken place during processing in Japan of Australian beef, but it's still very early here. We're working through the details." The strain involved in Japan is not the same as the one involved in the current deadly outbreak in Europe.—*Internet*

Mexico seizes 150 m USD in illicit cash

MEXICO CITY, 3 June— The Mexican military has seized nearly 150 million US dollars in cash from various criminal organizations over the past four and a half years, the defence ministry said Thursday. Of the total, 4.13 million dollars were confisticated in the first five months of 2011, including 1.95 million dollars in May, the ministry said in a statement.

The Mexican government said its military has played a key role in its ongoing war against drug cartels and the organized crime, as it has detained 33,440 suspects and seized 85,551 weapons, 31,331 vehicles and 490 aircraft during the same period.—*Xinhua*

May US job numbers expected to show struggles

WASHINGTON, 3 June—Analysts were expecting that sharp cuts in local and federal government spending will translate into some grim numbers Friday when the Labour Department releases its figures on national employment for May.

After two weeks of glum sectoral data, the figures on just how many Americans had jobs last month are expected to confirm a sharp slowdown in economic growth despite White House efforts to power up a job-creating recovery.

That could add to the raging political battle over government spending and how to repair the economy while nine percent of the country remains unemployed, more than a year after the country's deep recession ended.

***Job-seekers line up at a work fair in New York.* INTERNET**

So far this year the monthly figures on the number of employed Americans have risen steadily, but hardly fast enough to significantly push down the overall jobless rate.

After about 1.1 million jobs were added last year, in the first four months of 2011 some 768,000 new positions have been created.

But a combination of weak reports on corporate hiring and high figures for new layoffs since April suggest that the economy has lost momentum.—*Internet*

Shooting in Yuma, Arizona, leaves six dead

PHOENIX, 3 June—A man apparently angry over a divorce case went on a shooting spree in and around Yuma, Arizona, on Thursday, killing five people and wounding another before taking his own life, authorities said.

One of the dead was identified as attorney Jerrold Shelley, who was shot inside his downtown law office, Yuma Police Chief Jerry Geier told *Reuters* by telephone.

The gunman, identified as Carey Hal Dyess, 73, also knew the other victims, Geier said, but their names were not immediately released. All of the dead appeared to be adults, he said.

Details of the incident were sketchy, but police said the shootings unfolded over several hours at six different locations in and around the city, located in the southwestern corner of Arizona near the border with Mexico.

Yuma Mayor Alan Krieger said the gunman's motive was not entirely clear, but that he was believed to be upset over a divorce case.

The first shooting occurred at about 5 am local time in a rural area outside Yuma, authorities said.

The gunman then drove in a rented car to several other rural locations to shoot other people before driving to Shelley's Yuma law office, where he opened fire on the attorney, Geier said.—*Reuters*

***A labourer works on a steel structure at a financial building construction site, as the cityscape is seen amid smoke from burning straw, in Hefei, Anhui on 3 June, 2011. Growing evidence that China's roaring economy is starting to slow has fed an investor debate about whether the world's growth engine is gently easing or headed for a sharp downturn.—*INTERNET**

Chinese, German researchers identify sequence of deadly E coli

BERLIN, 3 June— The recent outbreak of deadly E coli in Europe was caused by an entirely new super-toxic strain, Chinese and German researchers said Thursday, after finishing sequencing its genome.

By now, 17 Germans and one Swede have been killed after the outbreak, while more than 2,000 people across Europe were sickened. The number of people suffering from serious hemolytic-uremic syndrome (HUS) due to the infection has reached 470 in Germany. In its latest report, the Beijing Genomics Institute in Shenzhen (BGI-Shenzhen), China's flagship genome centre, said it "has just completed the sequence and carried out a preliminary analysis that shows the current infection is caused by an entirely new super-toxic E coli strain." BGI-Shenzhen was collaborating closely with the University Medical Centre Hamburg-Eppendorf in Germany by using their genomic technology.—*Xinhua*

3G phones less harmful for brain than previous avatars

SYDNEY, 3 June—3G phones used by iPhones, BlackBerries and other smart phones give a much lower dose of radiowaves to the brain than earlier models, a health expert has claimed.

However, Professor Bruce Armstrong from the University of Sydney, says that their frequent use could still cause cancer, reports the *Sydney Morning Herald.*

Armstrong who worked on the report with 30 other experts said researchers studied radiowave activity on those who used phones the heaviest and for the longest period, and health risks for average users was "really quite small".

The 3G technology also appeared to emit less harmful radiowaves, he said.

But research on these new technologies was still in its infancy.

"A very important observation, really, just based on the technology, is that the 3G phones in fact give a much lower dose to the brain than the previous generations," Professor Armstrong said.

Professor Armstrong said while health agencies tended to err on the side of caution it was still important people avoided heavy mobile-phone use.

"I think that's a very common principal of public health, that in the face of uncertainty it's good to take precautions," he said.

"I would say that the main message out of this study is to avoid exposing your brain to radiowaves from mobile phones," he added.

Internet

An attendant gives a soap massage to a customer at the newly restored Roxelana's hamam in Istanbul on 12 May, 2011. For decades the 16th century bath house built for the Ottoman Empire's most infamous woman, Roxelana, languished unnoticed between the Blue Mosque and the Haghia Sophia, relegated to life as a carpet showroom. Roxelana's hamam, a long, domed building completed in 1557 by the prolific architect Sinan, is the latest Istanbul bath to be restored to its former grandeur, emerging after years of neglect as an oasis of gleaming marble and inviting alcoves.—INTERNET

Boxes containing tomatoes stand behind a fence at the closed shop of a distributor at the central fruit and vegetable market in Berlin on Tuesday, afternoon, on 31 May, 2011. —INTERNET

Vulture comeback: Rebirth among birds of death

DANGPLAT, 3 June—A wake of vultures perches on the bare branches of a towering tree, dark shapes silhouetted against a pale sky, sharp beaks and talons ready to tear apart a dead cow laid out in a Cambodian jungle clearing. This manmade "vulture restaurant" is part of efforts across Asia to save the critically endangered bird from extinction. Now there are tentative signs they may be paying off. The population of vultures in Cambodia has doubled to 300 from as few as 150 in 2004. In India, they are still dying off, but their rate of decline has fallen.

These super scavengers may be regarded as messengers of death and doom, but in Asia, it is they who have suffered one of the natural world's greatest population crashes of recent times.

From tens of millions, numbers of the three main species have plummeted to well below 60,000, says British expert Richard Cuthbert. —*Internet*

In this 26 April, 2011 photo, a young vulture flies while looking for food near a vulture restaurant in Dangplat, Cambodia. INTERNET

Continental, US Airways fined for deceptive price advertising

WASHINGTON, 3 June—The US Department of Transportation (DOT) Thursday imposed civil penalties against Continental Airlines and US Airways for violating the rules prohibiting deceptive price advertising in air travel. Continental was given a civil penalty of 120,000 US dollars and US Airways 45,000 US dollars, the DOT said in a statement.

Any advertising that includes a price for air transportation is required to state the full price to be paid by the consumer, including all carrier-imposed surcharges, according to DOT's rules.

However, a review of Continental's website by DOT revealed instances in which the carrier failed to include fuel surcharges in its listed fares.

With respect to US Airways, its homepage advertisement has an asterisk next to the fare and a statement that additional taxes and fees might apply, but there was no information on the type or amount of fees in either the ad or on the homepage, noted the department. "Passengers have the right to know how much they will have to pay when they buy an airline ticket, and we will continue to take enforcement action when these rules are violated," said US Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood.—*Xinhua*

Soon, a nano-filter to transform seawater into pure drinking water!

WASHINGTON, 3 June—A researcher at the University of Strathclyde has developed a nano-filter that could desalinate water, providing a possible solution to the problem of the world's ever-growing population demanding more and more fresh drinking water.

Jason Reese, Weir Professor of Thermodynamics and Fluid Mechanics, and his research group say that carbon nanotubes (CNTs) - essentially sheets of one-atom thick carbon rolled into cylinders - can transform abundant seawater into pure, clean drinking water.

Their technique is based on the process of osmosis - the natural movement of water from a region with low solute concentration across a permeable membrane to a region with high concentration.

But just as with most existing water-desalination plants, Reese's technique actually uses the opposite process of 'reverse osmosis' whereby water moves in the opposite direction, leaving the salty water clean.—*Internet*

Europe's 2018 Lunar Lander aims to finally solve Moon's water mystery

WASHINGTON, 3 June — Recent investigations by NASA''s Lunar Crater Observation and Sensing Satellite (LCROSS) satellite revealed in late 2009 that massive amounts of water-ice can be found at the lunar south pole.

Researchers and astronomers at the European Space Agency (ESA) are already planning a mission to the location to find out where the water comes from.

"We certainly don't know where the water comes from until we get down there and do more experiments.

That's why the Lunar Lander is so important," notes Colin Pillinger, professor of planetary science at the Open University in the UK.

Finding the right landing site is also crucial for science. "You have to go to the exact places where we think these valuable resources might be concentrated," he said.

Expected to be launched in 2018, the unmanned craft will land near the lunar South Pole.

Internet

The Chongwen branch of the Lady Book Saloon has plenty of plush lavender chairs where visitors can curl up with a book on a lazy afternoon or relax during one of the store's movie screenings.—INTERNET

INVITATION TO TENDER
TENDER NO 1 (T) AMD-FR (2011-2012)

1. Sealed Tender are invited by Agricultural Mechanization Department, the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation for the supply of the following stores which will be purchased in Myanmar Kyats.

Sr. No	Description	Quantity
1.	Engines and Spare Parts for Power Tiller	1 Lot
2.	Component parts for Power Tiller Production	2 Lot
3.	Raw Material for Power Tiller	2 Lot

2. Tender Closing date: (15-6-2011) (Wednesday) (16:00 HR)
3. Tender documents are available at the Factory & Research Section of Agricultural Mechanization Department, Building No.(50), Nay Pyi Taw, during the office hours.
4. For further details please call 067-431242

Director General
Agricultural Mechanization Department

INVITATION TO TENDER
TENDER NO(1) (E S) A.M.D (2011-2012)

1. Sealed Tender are invited by Agricultural Mechanization Department, Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation, for the supply of the following stores (in Myanmar Kyats.)

LOT. No	Description	Quantity
1.	Tractor Tyre & Tube	8 Items
2.	Battery	1 Item

2. Tender Closing date: 15-6-2011, 12:00 hrs
3. Tender documents are available at Equipment & Stores Branch of Agricultural Mechanization Department (Head Office), AMD Office No.50, Nay Pyi Taw, during office hours from (6-6-2011). Only Tenders Purchased from AMD will accepted.
4. For more details, Contact; 067-431243

Director General
Agricultural Mechanization Department

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE
MV SIAM STAR VOY NO ( )

Consignees of cargo carried on MV SIAM STAR VOY NO ( ) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 4.6.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.T.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: M/S MARTRADE GULF LOGISTICS FZ CO

Phone No: 256916/256919/256921

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE
MV BIENDONG TRADER VOYNO(1132)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV BIENDONG TRADER VOY NO (1132) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 4.6.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
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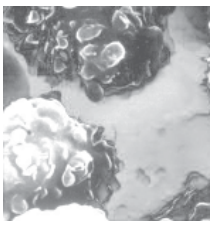
Hopes raised of blocking return of leukaemia



Acute leukaemia has a high relapse rate. **INTERNET**

LONDON, 3 June — Scientists are working on a way to stop one of the most aggressive forms of acute leukaemia returning after a patient has received treatment. Recurrence of the blood cancer caused by rogue leukaemic stem cells is a major problem for doctors.

But a team at King's College London, working on mice, have raised hopes of a solution. They describe in the journal *Cell Stem Cell* how they eliminated the stem cells by suppressing two key proteins.

It is hoped the work, funded by Cancer Research UK and Leukaemia Lymphoma Research, will lead to new treatments which will enable complete remission for patients with a form of acute leukaemia called MLL Cancer stem cells appear to be more resistant than other leukaemia cells to standard treatments, such as radiotherapy and chemotherapy. So even after treatment appears to have been initially successful, they can remain to trigger a new round of disease, which often reappears in a more aggressive form.—*Internet*

German police train vulture 'detectives' to find bodies

BEFLIN, 3 June — German police are trying out a new weapon in the fight against crime — vultures that can find hidden corpses. Three feathered detectives — called Sherlock, Miss Marple and Columbo — are being trained in Walsrode bird park in northern Germany.

The birds' keen eyesight and acute sense of smell might make them as skilful as their fictional namesakes.

But worryingly Sherlock sometimes prefers to hunt on foot, rather than scan the ground from above. Police used a piece of shroud from a mortuary for the training exercise, German media report. The vultures are thought to be better than sniffer dogs at finding bodies when a large area has to be searched and the terrain is difficult, for example if it is densely overgrown.

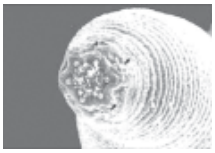
Internet

***The vultures' habits are not a perfect fit for the job of detective.*— INTERNET**

Deepest-living land animal found

NEW YORK, 3 June — Worms have been found living at depths in the Earth where it was previously thought animals could not survive. Discovered in South African mines, the roundworms can survive in the stifling 48C (118F) water that seeps between cracks 1.3km beneath the Earth's crust. The find has surprised scientists who, until now, believed only single-celled bacteria thrived at these depths.

Writing in the journal *Nature*, the team says this is the deepest-living "multi-cellular" organism known to science. The researchers found two species of worm. One is a new species to science, which the scientists have named Halicephalobus mephisto after Faust's Lord of the Underworld. The other is a previously known roundworm known as Plectus aquatilis.—*Internet*



***The worms survive in deep waters that are almost starved of oxygen.*— INTERNET**

Debate rises over death toll in Mexico drug war

MEXICO CITY, 3 June— The debate over how many people have died in Mexico's 4 1/2-year-old drug war is intensifying as the government's silence over the figure grows longer.

The last official count, more than 34,600 dead, came almost six months ago, and the number of lives lost is now obviously far higher, with daily reports of slayings and shootouts in drug hot spots and the occasional horror of mass graves containing hundreds of bodies.

Some Mexican news media are reporting that their counts show the death toll has risen past 40,000, a number that includes rival gang members killed in turf battles, as well as innocent bystanders, extortion victims, police and soldiers.

The most recent official count came in January, when the government released a database of drug-related deaths as a gesture of openness about President Felipe Calderon's military assault on drug cartels, which began as he took office in December 2006.

Internet

***Policemen shoot blanks in honour of their fallen colleagues in operation during a ceremony marking the Federal Police Day in Mexico City, capital of Mexico, on 2 June, 2011.* —XINHUA**

US teen killed in Costa Rica while on school trip

SAN JOSE, 3 June—A 16-year-old US high school student was shot and killed at a Costa Rican hotel by a security guard who mistook him for a thief, authorities said Thursday.

High school senior Justin Johnston of McLouth, Kansas was shot in the chest before dawn Thursday at the La Cangreja Lodge hotel in the city of La Fortuna de San Carlos, Costa Rican police said in a statement.

The security guard, who was identified as a 34-year-old man by the last name of Guevara, has been detained, police said.

Police said the students had been sent to bed at 10 pm Wednesday but a group left their rooms and went to another building on the premises.—*Internet*

A non-concrete alligator.

Police shoot concrete alligator

A police officer in Independence, Mo, who thought he was killing an alligator on the loose, discovered he had shot a life-size concrete lawn ornament. The police department ended up apologizing to Rick Sheridan, the cement gator's owner, WDAF-TV, Kansas City, reported. Sheridan said he heard gunfire as he worked in his garage last weekend and went out to investigate, discovering several police officers with their guns drawn. "The officer fired two rounds, and killed my concrete, ornamental alligator," Sheridan said.

The police department said a man called to report his children had seen an alligator. The department checked with state conservation officials and were told they should kill the animal if they could find it. Sheridan said Wednesday he has found the alligator to be more effective than "No Trespassing" signs at keeping strangers from wandering onto his property. He said vandals simply rip the signs down.

Stolen laptop sends clues to recovery

Joshua Kaufman had his stolen MacBook back in hand on Thursday after the laptop sent clues that led police to the suspected thief.

Kaufman won fans online by using Hidden software to capture pictures of the apparent culprit taken with the stolen MacBook's built-in camera and posting images at his ThisGuyHasMyMacbook.tumblr.com blog along with commentary.

One picture showed a man snoozing on a couch while another featured the same fellow shirtless in bed starting intently at the laptop.

Kaufman said he began piecing together clues after the MacBook was stolen from his apartment in the California City of Oakland on 21 March.

A photo posted to his blog apparently shows the suspected thief driving away with the laptop. "I immediately began to gather photos, network and location information about my stolen MacBook using Hidden," Kaufman said at his blog.

He shared his detective work with police officers who on Tuesday arrested a cab driver said to be the man in the MacBook pictures and found the laptop in the suspected thief's home. "BOOYA!" Kaufman wrote in his blog, using a local expression of triumphant enthusiasm. "The police used my evidence (email which pointed to a cab service) that he was a driver and tricked him into picking them up."

The story turned out so well that some of those following along online suspected it was staged as a promotion for Hidden, software that spies on laptop thieves and pinpoints their whereabouts.

An Apple Store customer inspects a MacBook Pro laptop computer in 2009.

Parents make Facebook page for fetus

A Texas couple said they announced the impending birth of their daughter by setting up a Facebook profile for the girl while she is still in the womb.

Matt and Ellie Greene of Whitehouse said their daughter, who they have already named Marriah and is due 9 June, already has 268 Facebook friends, ABC News reported Thursday.

"We weren't sure how to tell all our friends the baby was coming," Matt Greene said. "We'd held off on telling people we wanted to make sure everything was fine with the pregnancy. We thought the quickest way to tell everyone would be to use Facebook." The profile is filled with tongue-in-cheek information, including Marriah's education being listed as studying "labour and delivery at Tummy University" and her interests being primarily "swimming."

News Album

Box Office Preview: 'X-Men' going First Class

In this film publicity image released by 20th Century Fox, Kevin Bacon portrays Sebastian Shaw, left, and January Jones portrays Emma Frost in a scene from 'X-Men: First Class.'—INTERNET

LOS ANGELES, 3 June—After a record-setting Memorial weekend, movie theaters around the country are preparing for yet another summer blockbuster to drive customers to the multiplex. Twentieth Century Fox's "X-Men: First Class," featuring a critically-acclaimed director and top actors, is set to earn a leading $50 million by Sunday night.

The prequel is the fourth installment in the highly-successful "X-Men" franchise, which has generated over $1 billion in global revenue to date.

Warner Bros.' "The Hangover Part II" is poised to have a strong second weekend, with a likely No 2 finish of around $40 million. In just seven record-toppling days, the film has earned nearly $150 million in North America and over $200 million worldwide.

Dreamworks Animation's "Kung Fu Panda 2" from Paramount is looking at a third-place finish this weekend, earning just under $30 million.

Internet

In this 30 Jan, 2011 file photo, actress Jane Lynch arrives at the 17th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards in Los Angeles.
INTERNET

'Glee' star Jane Lynch chosen to host Emmy Awards

NEW YORK, 3 June—Get out the megaphone: "Glee" star Jane Lynch will be hosting the Emmy Awards.

The Academy of Television Arts & Sciences announced Thursday that Lynch will host "The 63rd Primetime Emmy Awards" honouring excellence in prime-time TV.

The ceremony will be held at Los Angeles' Nokia Theatre and will air 18 Sept on Fox.

Lynch stars as a megaphone-wielding cheerleading coach who bullies students on the hit Fox series about a high school glee club.

The actress says she's "tickled pink" to be chosen as Emmy host.

Internet

India's 'Kollywood' seeks global movie spotlight

CHENNAI, 3 June—Science fiction film "Endhiran" was made in the south Indian language Tamil, but it pulled in huge profits from across the country and abroad — stoking global ambitions for "Kollywood". Named after the Kodambakkam District of Chennai where many studios are based, the Tamil film industry aims to match the success of the Hindi-language Bollywood scene in Mumbai. "Endhiran" ("Robot") had an estimated budget of 35 million dollars, revolutionary technical wizardry, big stars, and was released worldwide in October 2010 with Hindi and Telugu dubbings as well as with English subtitles.

Internet

An Indian film operator stands next to the projector at Pankajam cinema theater in Chennai, in April 2011.—INTERNET

Oscar-winning Morricone heads Rome film festival jury

ROME, 3 June—Oscar-winning composer Ennio Morricone, author of the film scores for "Spaghetti Westerns" starring Clint Eastwood in the 1960s, will head up the jury for the Rome film festival, organizers said on Wednesday.

Morricone, 82, who started out as a jazz trumpeter, has also worked with celebrated directors Brian De Palma and Giuseppe Tornatore and has received two Grammy Awards and two Golden Globes in a career spanning half a century.

Internet

Oscar-winning composer Ennio Morricone.—INTERNET

Irish midfielder Liam Miller joins Perth Glory

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SYDNEY, 3 June—Irish midfielder Liam Miller will play for Australian A-League side Perth Glory for the next two seasons, the club said. The former Manchester United and Celtic attacking midfielder, 30, will arrive in Perth ahead of the Glory's pre-season friendly against Celtic on 9 July.

Miller also had stints with Leeds United, Sunderland and Queens Park Rangers and joins Glory after two seasons in the Scottish Premier League with Hibernian. Miller made his international debut for the Republic of Ireland in 2004 against the Czech Republic and has made 21 international appearances. He joins Danny Vukovic, Dean Heffernan, Travis Dodd and Shane Smeltz as Perth's major off-season acquisitions ahead of the new season, kicking off in October. *Internet*

Federer-Djokovic, Nadal-Murray in French semis

PARIS, 3 June—Even Rafael Nadal acknowledges his French Open semifinal against Andy Murray is not nearly as intriguing as the one between unbeaten Novak Djokovic and 16-time Grand Slam champion Roger Federer. "It's the best player of today against the best player in history. ... It's going to be a beautiful match," Nadal said. "I would watch it — if I was a spectator.

"Top-seeded Nadal, for example, is bidding to tie Bjorn Borg's record of six French Open championships. No 4 Murray is dealing with an injured right ankle as he hopes to win his first Grand Slam title — and give Britain its first male champion at a major tennis tournament since 1936.No 3 Federer, meanwhile, has gone more than 16 months without reaching a Grand Slam final, which doesn't sound too bad unless you consider it's the guy's longest gap since he won Wimbledon in 2003.

In the women's final Saturday, No 5 Francesca Schiavone of Italy, the defending champion, will face No 6 Li Na of China.

Roger Federer of Switzerland

Li eliminated Maria Sharapova of Russia 6-4, 7-5 on Thursday, while Schiavone beat Marion Bartoli of France 6-3, 6-3.Djokovic has had plenty of idle time to ponder things: He hasn't played a match since winning in the fourth round Sunday. Federer was the last player to beat Djokovic, back in November at the ATP World Tour Finals in London, and holds a 13-9 edge in their career series. But Djokovic is 3-0 against Federer this season, all on hard courts.— *Internet*

Abidal set for Bleus return after liver op

MINSK, 3 June—Barcelona defender Eric Abidal is set to make his first start for France since his liver operation in a Euro 2012 qualifier against Group D bogeymen Belarus here on Friday. Abidal, whose end-of-season campaign was compromised by the 17 March surgery, is set to play at left back with Abou Diaby a possible candidate to pair up with Alou Diarra in defensive midfield.

France coach Laurent Blanc hinted recently Abidal, who returned to action for Barcelona at the start of May and played a major role in their triumphant

Barcelona defender Eric Abidal

Champions League final win over Manchester United on Saturday, would reintegrate the team as soon as the player was fit. His inclusion means United defender Patrice Evra, who stepped in during Abidal's absence, is likely to be relegated to the bench.— *Internet*

Mexicans favoured in Gold Cup

ARLINGTON, 3 June—A Mexican side sparked by Manchester United's Javier Hernandez and Tottenham's Giovani dos Santos will be favoured to defend the Gold Cup crown when the biennial football tournament opens on Sunday.

In the tournament's 20-year history, Mexico has taken five titles with the host United States winning three times, Canada capturing the crown in 2000 and Honduras winning the inaugural crown over the US team on penalty kicks in 1991.

Mexico routed the Americans 5-0 in the 2009 final, spoiling the US bid for a third consecutive North American (CONCACAF) title.The border rivals have met in the final of the 12-nation event four times and another such showdown could come in the June 25 final at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, California.— *Internet*

Manchester United's Javier Hernandez

SPORTS

Hughes quits Fulham, denies Villa approach

LONDON, 3 June—Mark Hughes resigned as manager of Fulham on Thursday and immediately brushed off speculation linking him with the vacancy at Premier League rivals Aston Villa. Birmingham club Villa were left without a manager after former France boss Gerard Houllier stepped down on Wednesday following a heart scare. Fulham finished eighth, one place above Villa, last season and Hughes was immediately touted as the man to replace Houllier.

However the former Manchester United, Barcelona and Wales striker said in a statement: "I hope the supporters and all those connected with the club will understand I wish to move on to further my experiences."I would also like to take this opportunity to clarify that neither myself nor my representative have approached or have been approached by another club."— *Internet*

Mark Hughes

LSU's John Peterson wins NCAA golf title

STILLWATER, 3 June— LSU senior John Peterson won the individual title on Thursday in the NCAA Golf Championships, and UCLA topped the eight qualifiers for the team match-play competition.

Peterson shot an even-par 72 — playing the back nine in 4 under — to finish at 5-under 211, a stroke ahead of UCLA's Patrick Cantlay at difficult Karsten Creek.

Six hours after Peterson finished, Cantlay had a chance to force a playoff, but his 18-foot eagle try on the par-5 18th grazed the cup and stayed out.

He birdied the final two holes for a 71. Peterson opened with a 74 and had a competitive course-record 65 on Wednesday.

UCLA was 10 over in the third round to finish at 8-over 872. Georgia Tech was second at 11 over, and host Oklahoma State (15 over), Illinois (15 over), Georgia (20 over), Ohio State (23 over), Augusta State (24 over) and Duke (25 over) also advanced to match play.

Texas A&M was ninth at 26 over. Peterson completed an unprecedented sweep for LSU following freshman Austin Ernst's victory 21 May in the women's event.— *Internet*

Malaga confirm van Nistelrooy signing

MADRID, 3 June— Spanish first division club Malaga on Thursday announced the signing of experienced Dutch striker Ruud van Nistelrooy from German side Hamburg.

The striker, who turns 35 on 1 July, will be presented "as a Malaga player" to supporters at the club's stadium at 8pm (1800GMT) on Thursday, the club said in a Twitter message.

Malaga gave no further details and there was no other official statement on the signing.

Spanish media said van Nistelroooy had passed a medical and signed a one-year contract with the option of a further one year if he plays a certain number of matches. Malaga finished 11th in the Spanish top flight last season.

Van Nistelrooy joined Hamburg in January 2010 after four years at Real Madrid. He previously played for PSV Eindhoven and Manchester United. At Real, he scored 46 goals in the league, winning the award for the top scorer in 2007.— *Internet*

Dutch striker Ruud van Nistelrooy

2013 World Baseball Classic expands to 28 nations

NEW YORK, 3 June—The World Baseball Classic is expanding by 12 countries, with Israel, Thailand and France among the newcomers set to take part in 2013.There will be 28 teams in the next competition that features major league players. Japan won the first two WBC events in 2006 and 2009.

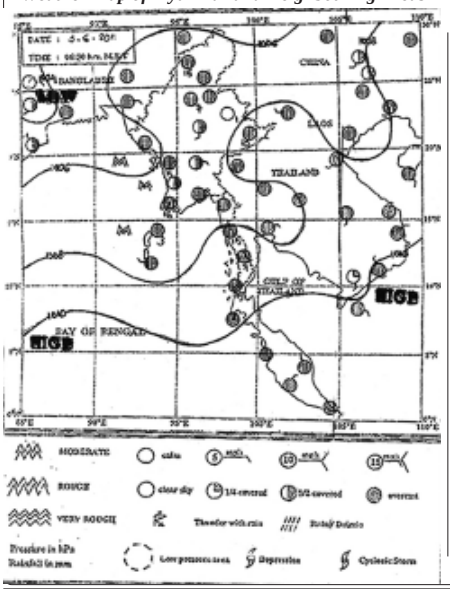
The new nations will play in a 16-team qualifying round. The other first-time participants are: Brazil, Colombia, the Czech Republic, Germany, Great Britain, New Zealand, Nicaragua, the Philippines and Spain. Winners from the qualifying round in the fall of 2012 advance to the WBC tournament in March 2013. Major League Baseball Commissioner Bud Selig says the expanded field helps grow the sport globally.

The 12 new teams were picked based on several factors, including the future of each country's baseball programme.— *Internet*

WEATHER

Friday, 3rd June, 2011

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Magway Region and Kayah State, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Lower Sagaing and Mandalay Regions, scattered in Upper Sagaing Region, Kachin, Rakhine and Mon States, fairly widespread in Bago, Yangon Ayeyawady Regions, Shan, Chin and Kayin States and widespread in the remaining Regions and States. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Mogok (2.68) inches, Kawkareik (1.54) inches, Mindat (1.29) inches and Launglon (0.87) inch.

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 2-6-2011 was 100°F. Minimum temperature on 3-6-2011 was 77°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 3-6-2011 was (71%). Rainfall on 3-6-2011 was (Nil).

Nay Pyi Taw (Airport)

Maximum temperature on 2-6-2011 was 93°F. Minimum temperature on 3-6-2011 was 75°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 3-6-2011 was (79%). Rainfall on 3-6-2011 was (Nil).

Rainfall on 3-6-2011 was (Nil) at Nay Pyi Taw, (0.20) inch at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) and (Nil) at Mandalay. Total rainfall since 1-1-2011 was (12.32) inches at Nay Pyi Taw, (24.14) inches at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) and (12.64) inches at Mandalay. Maximum wind speed at Nay Pyi Taw was (8) mph from South (16:30) hours MST on 2-6-2011.

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

Forecast valid until evening of the 4th June 2011: Rain or thundershowers will be widespread in Bago, Yangon, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Regions, fairly widespread in Kachin, Shan, Kayin and Mon States, Scattered in Upper Sagaing Region, Rakhine and Chin States and isolated in the remaining Regions and States. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the Sea: Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at times Delatic, Gulf of Mottama, off and along Mon- Taninthayi Coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35) mph. Seas will be moderate elsewhere in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Continuation of decrease of rain in Central Myanmar Areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 4th June 2011: Isolated rain. Degree of cerainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 4th June 2011: One or two rain. Degree of cerainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 4th June 2011: Isolated rain. Degree of cerainty is (80%).

Weather Outlook for the Second Weekend of June, 2011: Likelihood of fairly widerspread in Yangon Region and isolated in Mandalay Region.

Power alone is not enough on clay, says Schiavone

PARIS, 3 June— While the women's game is becoming more and more power-based in recent years, simply bludgeoning the ball across the net will not be enough to win the French Open, champion Francesca Schiavone said on Friday.

Venus and Serena Williams, along with Maria Sharapova are just some of the players who have taken power-hitting to a new level over the past decade but their limited success on clay proves that players cannot simply rely on flexing their muscles to win the Suzanne Lenglen Cup.

The trio have won 23 majors between them since 1999 but only one of them Serena's success at Roland Garros in 2002 has been achieved on the red stuff.

Francesca Schiavone of Italy (L) shakes hands with Marion Bartoli of France after winning their semi-final match during the French Open tennis tournament at the Roland Garros stadium in Paris June 2, 2011.

INTERNET

Italian fifth seed Schiavone, who will take on Chinese sixth seed Li Na in Saturday's final, is on a 13-0 streak at Roland Garros and credited her success to a combination of her sliced backhand and spinning forehand, along with her ability to quickly switch tactics.

Reuters

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Programme Schedule

(4-6-2011) (Saturday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	- (09:00am~11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission	- (4-6-11 09:30 am ~ 5-6-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

* Opening
* News
* A Day tour on a cart
* News
* Youth of the Future "Artist Pan Kyi"
* News
* Songs for You
* Seminar on Cerevical Cancer
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* News
* Wonderful Pagodas on the Mount Akauk
* Music Gallery
* News
* Fine Arts Podium "Big Drum"
* News
* Myanmar Movies "I miss you painfully"

Myanmar TV

Saturday,

4 June

View on today

7:00 am
1. Paritta By Venerable Mingun Sayadaw

7:15 am
2. Dhamma Puji Song

7:25 am
3. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am
4. Morning News

7:40 am
5. Nice & Sweet Song

7:50 am
6. Health Programme

8:00 am
7. Poem Garden

8:10 am
8. Musical Programme

8:20 am
9. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions

8:25 am
10. One Village and One Product

8:40 am
11. International News

8:45 am
12. Local Talent

11:00 am
1. Martial Song

11:05 am
2. Game For Children

11:30 am
3. Round Up Of The Week's TV Local News

1:20 pm
4. Yan Can Cook

1:40 pm
5. TV Dramma Series

2:30 pm
6. Documentary

2:50 pm
7. International News

3:15 pm
1. Myanmar National League MNL Grand Royal Cup (2011) (Live) (KBZ FC & Ayeyawady United FC)

5:15 pm
2. Musical Programme

5:30 pm
3. University Of Distance Education (TV Lectures) -First Year (Oriental Studies)

5:50 pm
4. Songs For Upholding National Spirit

6:00 pm
5. Evening News

6:15 pm
6. Weather Report

6:20 pm
7. Ahlashamae Hlagabawai

6:35 pm
8. Yindagomae

7:00 pm
9. TV Drama Series

8:00 pm
10. News
11. International News
12. Weather Report
13. Cartoon Series
14. TV Drama Series
15. Gitadagale Phwinfbaohn

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★ 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

Result of matriculation examination announced

NAY PYI TAW, 4 June—The result of matriculation examination held in March 2011 was announced at 6 am on 4 June today.

The results were announced at the examination centres of schools in regions, states and townships.

Moreover, the results from regions and states except Yangon Region were posted at Basic Education High School No. 1 in Insein Township, BEHS No. 1 in Yankin Township, BEHS No. 3 in Kamayut Township, BEHS No. 1 in Lanmadaw Township, BEHS No. 2 in Dagon Township and BEHS No. 1 in Thingangyun Township.—*MNA*

Radio Myanmar to broadcast result of matriculation examination for poor transport areas

NAY PYI TAW, 3 June—Nay Pyi Taw Myanma Athan will broadcast the result of matriculation examination held in March 2011 at respective exam centres in regions and states, which are poor transport, through short wave 50.71 meter and 5915 KHz, short wave 50.12 meter and 5985 KHz and medium wave 411.52 meter and 729 KHz beginning 8 am on 4 June (Saturday).

The exam centres facing poor transport are Tanai, Machanbaw, Putao, Nagmon, Phakant, Khamaing, Sumprabum, Chipwe and Shanbweyan in Kachin State, Papun, Kyain-seikkyi and Kamamoung in Kayin State, Kanpetlet, Matupi, Rezwa, Lailinpi, Mindat and Paletwa in Chin State, Gwa, Kyeintali, Zayatkonkhin and Manaung in Rakhine State, Momeik, Namhsan (North), Monghsat, Mongkai, Kunlong, Mongton, Mongping, Mongyan, Maukmai, Mongyawng, Kehsi Manhsan, Mongnawng, Kunhing, Hopan, Mongkhat, Mongpan, Mongphyat, Mabein, NgaO, Mongshu, Tonghon, Mantung and Laukkai in Shan State, Palaw, Palauk, Pala and Bokpyin in Taninthayi Region, Pauk, Yepya, Htilin, Saw, Laungshe, Kyaukhtu, Sedoktara and Ngaphe in Magway Region, Nanyun, Leshi and Lahe in Sagaing Region and Cocogyun in Yangon Region.

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***Signboard saying "All the people to actively take part in school enrollment activities." was erected in Independence Garden on Myoma Street in Pakokku Township on 22 May.*—MNA**

CPT, Japan to promote cooperation

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17 killed, over 50 wounded by roadside bomb in Tikrit, Iraq

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