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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

Pyithu Hluttaw/Amyotha Hluttaw Committee members read papers



Deputy Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw U Nanda Kyaw Swa addresses legal paper reading session of Members of Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw Committees.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 7 June—Members of Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw Committees held a legal paper reading session at Hluttaw Office here this morning.

It was attended by Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann, Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint, Deputy Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker U Nanda Kyaw Swa, Deputy Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker U Mya Nyein, members of Bill Committees, Public Accounts Committees, Hluttaw Rights Committees and the Government's Guarantees, Pledges and Undertaking Vetting Committees from Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha

Hluttaw, and deans of universities.

Deputy Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker U Nanda Kyaw Swa gave an introductory speech.

Professor/Head of the Law Department of Yangon University of Distance Education Dr Daw Tin May Tun read the paper "Jurisdictional Immunities of State and Their Property in Myanmar", Professor of the Law Department of Monywa University Dr Daw Khin Mu Tun, "Transnational Organize Crime (Drug Trafficking)", Lecturer of Mandalay University of Distance Education Daw Khin Mya Win, "Treaties and Third States", Professor/Head of the Law

Department of Yangon East University Dr Daw Thida Oo, "The Rights of Buddhist Women in Myanmar in the Light of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women", Professor of the Law Department of Magway University Dr Daw Khin Nyo, "Child Rights Under Myanmar Laws", and Professor of the Law Department of Pyay University, Dr Daw Khin Phone Myint Kyu, "Inheritance Under Myanmar Customary Law".

Resource persons answered the questions shot by attendees.

MNA

Union Chief Justice receives UNICEF Child Protection Section Chief

NAY PYI TAW, 7 June—Union Chief Justice U Tun Tun Oo met Chief of the Child Protection Section of UNICEF in Yangon Ms Jeannette Wijnants and party at the Union Supreme Court here this afternoon.

They discussed cooperation between the Union Supreme Court and UNICEF in jurisdiction over minors and protection of child rights, and programmes to be implemented through bilateral cooperation.

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Tahlay Basic Education High School under construction.

Tahlay rising from ravages of earthquake

By Maung Yin Kyaw (Tachilek)

It was on 30 May 2011 when we set out on a trip to Tahlay, over 20 miles from Tachilek, to record tasks being carried out with might and main under the patronage of the government and contributions by local and international donors for rehabilitation of Tahlay, which had been leveled down by the earthquake. The weather was still cold due to the rain that started before dawn.

The little town was devastated by the earthquake over two months ago.

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PERSPECTIVES

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Improve household living conditions

The National Dissemination Workshop on Integrated Household Living Conditions Assessment Survey (2009-2010) took place at the Myanmar International Convention Centre in Nay Pyi Taw the other day.

Myanmar and UNDP carried out integrated household living conditions assessment survey in 2004-2005 and again in 2009-2010. Statistics show that poverty has been alleviated drastically in Myanmar. According to the reports, from 2004-2005 to 2009-2010, poverty in Myanmar fell from 32 % to 26 %.

There is increase in national net school enrolment rate, vaccination of under-5s against measles, births given with skilled medical staff, and access to safe water, and decrease in lack of food supply and death toll of pregnant women.

The working population of a country is its workforce, or productivity or economic force. Only when rural folks who make up the majority of the population who are the major workforce of the country enjoy high living conditions will the country enjoy shining image.

The integrated household living conditions assessment survey covered over 18,000 households in 106 townships. It is to improve the living conditions for peasants and workers, the ordinary class of the nation.

The findings of the survey used as statistics in rural development programmes give impetus for poverty alleviation. Therefore, pragmatic approaches should be applied most effectively and promptly to raise the living status of the people.

Kayan Township Association (Yangon) donates school uniforms, backpacks, note books



Chairman of Kayan Township Association U Than Lwin presents uniforms, backpacks and exercise books for school enrollment activities in the Kayan Township to township education officer.—MNA

Peoples' Dharma

- * 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

Jade, gem and pearl special sale in July



Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik views display of jade and gems in the compound of Mani Yadana Jade Hall.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 7 June—Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik inspected display of jade and gem for jade, gem and pearl special sale, in the compound of Mani Yadana Jade Hall in Nay Pyi Taw this evening.

After that, the Union Minister inspected the progress in construction of jade warehouses being built

by Myanmar Gem and Jewellery Entrepreneurs Association in Nay Pyi Taw Dekkhinathiri and systematic storage of jades in the warehouses.

Jade, gem and pearl special sale will be held in the compound of Mani Yadana Jade Hall in Nay Pyi Taw in July 2011.—MNA

Shan State Committee for Drug Abuse Control holds work coordinating meeting 1/2011



Work coordinating meeting 1/2011 of Shan State Committee for Drug Abuse Control in progress.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 7 June—A work coordinating meeting 1/2011 of Shan State Committee for Drug Abuse Control took place at the town hall of Taunggyi yesterday morning with an address of Shan State Chief Minister U Sao Aung Myat.

Chairman of the committee Police Col Win

YANGON, 7 June—Organized by Kayan Township Association (Yangon), a ceremony to donate school uniforms, haversacks and note books to needy students in Kayan Township was held at No. 1 Basic Education High School in Kayan Township, here on 29 May.

Chairman of Kayan Township Association U Than Lwin and Vice Chairman U Myint Swe explained purposes of donation and donated 1000 pieces of school uniforms (male/female), 1000 pieces of backpacks and 170 dozens of note books worth over K 2.4 million to the needy students. The association has so far spent K 13.2 million on education promotion of Kayan Township for this year.

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Naing, Shan State Chief Justice U Kywe Kywe, Shan State Advocate-General U Maung Maung and Shan State Government Secretary U Khin Maung Than respectively presented matters on taking measures against drug abuse in Shan State.

State-level committee members and departmental heads reported ongoing tasks on control of drug abuse to the chief minister, and Chairman of PaO sub-administered region U San Lwin, Chairman of Danu sub-administered region U Htoo Ko Ko, Shan State Minister for Inn National Affairs U Win Myint and leaders of militia claimed that in the same way, they would control drugs abuse.

And then, District/Township Administrators reports on cultivation of poppy-substitute crops and taking measures on control of drug abuse.

MNA

Donate Blood

Eastern Arizona fire burns nearly 350 square miles

PHOENIX, 7 June—A wildfire that has charred more than 350 square miles in eastern Arizona raged out of control for a ninth day on Monday as it forced the evacuation of a third town and crept near populated areas along the New Mexico border.

Dogged by fierce winds and low humidity, some 2,300 firefighters battled flames in and around the Apache Sitgreaves National Forest that sent smoke billowing across several states, as far east as Iowa.

Arizona Governor Jan Brewer declared a state of emergency on Monday in two counties — Apache and Greenlee — in the rugged White Mountains region.

Fire information spokesman Deryl Jevons said gale-force wind gusts were making conditions especially difficult.

"That's going to create some significant fire activity this afternoon," he told Reuters.—MNA/Reuters



Cattle graze in a field as smoke from the Wallow wildfire settles in the sky near Eagar, Arizona on 5 June, 2011.

INTERNET

Afghan police kill Taliban key commander

HERAT, 7 June—Afghan police during an operation against Taliban militants eliminated a Taliban key commander in western Herat Province on Tuesday, an official said.

"Police launched a special operation against Taliban rebel in Gazara District early Tuesday and have killed Taliban key commander Mullah Habib Mughal," Nisar Ahmad Pupal the governor of Gazara District told Xinhua.

During the operation a police constable was killed and three others including two policemen and a bodyguard of the said Taliban commander were injured. The operation is continuing, he added.

MNA/Xinhua

Kurdish rebel killed in western Iran

TEHERAN, 7 June—Iranian security forces killed a member of an outlawed Kurdish rebel group in Kamyaran City in the western province of Kurdistan, the local English language satellite Press TV reported Monday.

The security forces disbanded a "terrorist cell" linked to Komala, a banned leftist Kurdish group, and killed a member of the group on

Sunday during a preplanned police ambush, said the report.

Another three militants were injured during the raid but managed to escape, said the report, adding that the police had launched a full-scale investigation to uncover the whereabouts of the "terrorists".

The operation was carried out after the security forces were

informed that the militant cell had killed a farmer, who was identified as Shirzad Meidani, two days earlier, according to the report. The rebel group has not announced responsibility for the farmer's death so far.

The province of Kurdistan witnessed regular armed clashes between the Iranian security forces and Kurdish militant groups.

Xinhua



An Iraqi firefighter hoses down a destroyed vehicle at the site of bomb attack in Kirkuk, some 250 km (155 miles) north of Baghdad recently. Two bombs exploded near a bus station in the northern Iraqi City of Kirkuk on Thursday, killing at least 15 people, security sources said.—INTERNET

Mexican army seizes drug gang's armoured trucks

MEXICO CITY, 7 June—Mexican soldiers in a northern border state seized two more of the armoured cargo trucks that drug cartels have been using for street battles with rivals, authorities said Monday.

The Defence Department said the trucks were found during a weekend search of a metalworking shop that had been used by a drug gang in the town of Camargo in Tamaulipas State. It said the trucks had inch-thick sheet steel welded over the cabin, doors and cargo container, complete with primitive fixed turrets and firing ports. About 25 other trucks — some already partly modified — were also found at the workshop, the military's statement said. The first armoured truck to turn up in Mexico was found wrecked in the Tamaulipas Town of Ciudad Mier last year, in an area being fought over by the Gulf and Zetas drug cartels.

There were no arrests in the raid on the metalworking shop, but the army said soldiers killed



In this image released by Mexico's Defence Department, SEDENA, on 5 June, 2011, a makeshift armored truck is displayed after it was seized on 4 June in the city of Camargo, Mexico.—INTERNET

two suspects in a confrontation in another part of the state, the military said.

Farther south, soldiers killed eight alleged gunmen in a shootout in the Gulf of Mexico coast state of Veracruz, the Defence Department said Monday.—Internet

12 people killed in car bomb attack in Presidential Palace compound in northern Iraq

SALAH AL-DIN, 7 June—A car bomb on Monday exploded in the Presidential Palace compound in northern Iraq, killing 12 people and injuring 20 more, the Aswat al-Iraq news agency reported.

A vehicle loaded with explosives was detonated by a suicide bomber in the Presidential Palace compound in Tikrit City, in Salah al-Din Province. The terror attack was the second in the site in June.

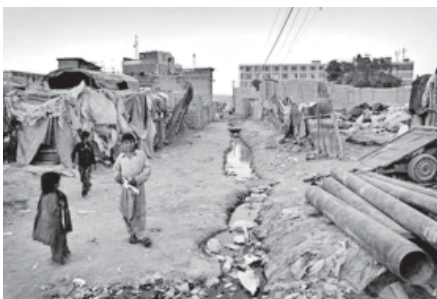
The suicide bombing

took place during a celebration marking the handing over of the mission of protecting the compound to the Iraqi troops. The Tikrit presidential palace was the residence of late leader Saddam Hussein.

At least 12 people were killed in the car bomb attack, 4 of them Army officers and 5 soldiers. Furthermore, 20 people were injured including civilians, police officers and Army service members.

One of the victims was the Commander of the 1st Brigade of the Iraqi Army's 4th Division, Lt Brigadier, Nouri Sabah. The Iraqi and US forces have secured the entrance to the compound. The blast also destroyed a number of vehicles parked nearby. Last Friday, a suicide bomber blew himself up in the al-Farouq mosque within the Presidential Palace.

Xinhua



Afghan children are seen in a poor neighbourhood of Kabul, Afghanistan, on 6 June, 2011.—INTERNET

India approves biggest defence deal with US

NEW DELHI, 7 June — India has approved its biggest defence deal with the United States for 10 Boeing C-17 strategic heavy-lift planes for 4.1 billion US dollars, reported local media Tuesday. The Indian cabinet committee on security chaired by Prime Minister Manmohan Singh Monday gave its nod for the deal to equip the Indian Air Force (IAF) with the aircraft, reported Indo-Asian News Service.

The clearance came six months after US President Barack Obama

visited India and two months after Boeing and Lockheed Martin were knocked out in bidding for a 10.4 billion US dollar deal for 126 combat jets for the IAF. The US Congress had approved the sale of the fully loaded aircraft for 5.8 billion US dollars under the Foreign Military Sales government-to-government route last June. However, since India is yet to ink a key military pact with the US, the aircraft might come without some critical communications equipment.—Xinhua

UNSG's Message on World Oceans Day 8 June 2011

Following is UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon's message for World Oceans Day, to be observed on 8 June:

World Oceans Day is an opportunity to reflect on the importance of oceans to humankind's sustainable development. It is also a time to recognize the many severe challenges related to oceans. These range from depleted fishery resources, the impacts of climate change and the deterioration of the marine environment to maritime safety and security, labour conditions for seafarers and the increasingly important issue of migration by sea.

Some of these concerns have arisen since the adoption of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. The progressive development of the law of the sea through the Convention and related instruments is meant to contribute to the sustainable development of the oceans and seas as well as to the strengthening of international peace and security, the equitable and efficient utilization of ocean resources, the protection and preservation of the marine environment and the realization of a just and equitable economic order. As such, the law of the sea provides a flexible and evolving framework for adapting to new challenges.

The ecosystem functions that oceans provide, and their importance to the global economy, deserve particular attention as we look ahead to next year's "Rio+20" United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development. For that reason, the theme of this year's observance is "Our oceans: greening our future".

All activities and policies related to oceans and the marine environment need to acknowledge and incorporate the three pillars of sustainable development: environmental, social and economic. Only then can we achieve the development objectives set by the international community. On this year's World Oceans Day, I urge Governments and all sectors of society to embrace our individual and collective responsibility to protect the marine environment and manage its resources in a sustainable manner for present and future generations.

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Hackers claim another attack on Sony

BEIJING, 7 June—A group of hackers claimed they had broken into Sony Corp computer systems again, and posted the results on the Internet.

The group, known as Lulz Security, posted what appeared to be Sony BMG network maps from a New York City office and what they said was 54 megabytes of Sony developer source code. The files were made available for download Tuesday.

"We're not commenting on this issue," said Sony Music spokeswoman Liz Young.

The posting of the files marks the latest in a string of embarrassments for the Japanese electronics giant, which has become a hacker's target since it sued software wiz George Hotz for

publishing a programme that allowed customers to alter their PlayStation 3 videogame consoles.

Last week, the group said it had broken into Sony's computer network and accessed information on more than 1 million customers to show the vulnerability of the company's systems.

LulzSec has claimed responsibility for attacks on public broadcaster PBS and an affiliate of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Sony also has been hit by other hackers. In April, the company's videogame network was struck with denial-of-service attacks orchestrated by a loose group of Internet vigilantes called "Anonymous" protesting the lawsuit against Hotz.—Xinhua



People play Volleyball on the beach at Anzali port in northern Iran, on 5 June, 2011. At least 13 people were drowned in the Caspian sea during a three day national holiday in Iran, according to the local media.—XINHUA

China's yuan advances to record high of 6.4816 against USD Tuesday

BEIJING, 7 June—The Chinese currency Renminbi, or the yuan, strengthened 30 basis points to hit 6.4816 per US dollar on Tuesday, according to the China Foreign Exchange Trading system.

On China's foreign exchange spot market, the yuan can rise or fall 0.5 percent from the central parity rate each trading day.

The central parity rate of the RMB against the US dollar is based on a weighted average of prices before the opening of the market each business day.—Xinhua



Qu Xisheng waters the plants on the duck shelter in Shichahai, a lake in the Chinese capital's downtown, in Beijing, on 6 June, 2011. Some 10 years ago, citizen Qu Xisheng built a duckhouse for a brood of wild ducks here over the lake. With his 10-year-effort and the help of local government, the duckhouse had developed into a 158 square metres large island, providing a shelter for over 100 birds including wild ducks, mandarin ducks, and night herons.

XINHUA

Oil drops below 100 dollars on high output expectation

NEW YORK, 7 June—US oil price dropped below 100 dollars a barrel on Monday as investors expected OPEC would decide to raise output at its meeting later this week.

Light, sweet crude for July delivery fell 1.21 dollars, or 1.21 percent, to settle at 99.01 dollars a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

In London, Brent crude for July delivery also dipped and last traded around 114 dollars a barrel.

Xinhua

Microsoft's Xbox 360 to get live TV

BEIJING, 7 June—Microsoft's Xbox 360 game console will get live television, media reports said Tuesday.

Microsoft Corp announced its plan for the video game console on Monday at a news conference kicking off the Electronic Entertainment Expo, the industry's annual convention.

The company said live TV would be offered by domestic and international broadcasters, but no other details were revealed.

Microsoft also hinted that "Halo 4" would be the "dawn of a new trilogy" for the blockbuster shoot-'em-up series. The previous game, "Halo: Reach," earned 200 million US dollars on its first day and sold 3.3 million copies in its first month on the market last year, according to Microsoft and industry tracker NPD Group.

Xinhua

France's Alstom wins 500-million-euro deal in Israel

PARIS, 7 June—Alstom, France's leading group in rail engineering and power generation, unveiled on Monday a business agreement with Israel to build a power plant worth 500 million euros (729 million US dollars).

"Alstom has signed today an EPC (engineering, procurement and construction) contract worth approximately 500 million euros with Dalia Power Energies Ltd to build the 835 megawatts gas fired Tzafit power plant in Israel," the group said in a statement.

Under the deal, which "represents Alstom's first entry into the Israeli gas

market," the French group will take charge of "the supply and construction of two 417 MW gas-fired combined cycle units as well as associated civil works."

Located southeast of Tel-Aviv, the due power plant will start production in 2014. It is expected to add 835 MW of power to the Israeli national grid, representing 7 percent of the country's power generation capacity.

With a total headcount of 96,500 in more than 70 countries, the French firm posted 23 billion euros (33.55 billion dollars) of sales in 2009-2010 fiscal year.—Xinhua



Health



EU to hold crisis talks on killer bacteria



Staff of Berlin's Robert-Koch institute wear protective gear as they investigate an organic farm that had been identified as a possible source of the deadly outbreak of E Coli in the village of Bienenbuettel. —INTERNET

LUXEMBOURG, 7 June—European Union agriculture ministers were to hold emergency talks in Luxembourg Tuesday on the bacteria crisis that has left 23 dead, as the source of the outbreak remained elusive.

The European ministers will discuss aid for farmers who are unable to sell their vegetables due to growing consumer fears over the E coli outbreak, and the sensitive issue could see acrimonious exchanges.

They will also review the bloc's food safety alert system to ensure that warnings have "scientific basis and proof" before becoming public, EU health commissioner John Dalli said. Dalli said the alert system review was requested by Spain, where

farmers were hit hard by inaccurate warnings that the outbreak might be linked to Spanish organic cucumbers.

Madrid has said it will demand full compensation from Germany for the losses which Spain's fruit and vegetables exporters association, FEPEX, estimated at 225 million euros (\$328 million) per week since the crisis began.

"We have told Germany that it must reimburse us for the loss. If it covers 100 percent, which is what we are demanding, the affair will be closed. Otherwise we reserve the right (to take) legal action," Spanish Agriculture Minister Rosa Aguilar said on Monday.

"We are not going to allow our producers to lose one cent, because they are not to blame."

Internet

A rotating logo of German pharmaceutical giant Bayer in Berlin. Bayer said that its Alpharadin treatment for prostate cancer has shown positive results in advanced trials.

INTERNET



Bayer flags strong results of prostate cancer drug

FRANKFURT, 7 June—German chemical and pharmaceutical group Bayer said Monday that its Alpharadin treatment for prostate cancer has shown positive results in advanced trials.

Bayer developed Alpharadin with the Norwegian lab Algeta and tested it on 922 people in Phase III trials, a statement said.

Those on the treatment lived an average 14 months after the course began, compared with an average of 11.2 months for those given a placebo, it added.

The tests were abandoned early to allow the latter to be given Alpharadin as well.

It has not yet been approved for general sale but Bayer has placed strong hopes in the compound, radium-223 chloride, which attacks cancer cells in bones.

"Around 90 percent of men with advanced prostate cancer have bone metastases which are the main cause of disability and death in this disease," the statement said.

Prostate cancer is the most frequent form of cancer among men in Northern Europe and the United States.

In 2008, an estimated 903,000 men had prostate cancer worldwide and 250,000 died from the disease, Bayer said.

Internet



Business



Singapore Airlines, Virgin Australia unveil tie-up

SINGAPORE, 7 June—Singapore Airlines (SIA) and Virgin Australia on Tuesday announced a long-term partnership that will boost their global reach despite the exclusion of the lucrative Australia-US sector.

"The alliance will connect Singapore Airlines' extensive international network with Virgin Australia's wide range of Australian and Pacific destinations," the two carriers said in a joint statement.

The tie-up, announced on the sidelines of a global aviation industry conference in Singapore, will take effect on 1 August if approved by regulators. The deal has one notable exclusion — the highly competitive trans-Pacific routes from Australia to the US West Coast that SIA has so far been denied by the Australian government.

But the two airlines were confident the alliance would boost their revenues significantly. "We don't have a specific figure right now, but as you can see, the value proposition speaks for itself," SIA chief executive Goh Choon Phong told a news conference.—Internet



Singapore Airlines passenger jets are seen in the city state's international airport. The flag carrier and Virgin Australia have announced a "long-term alliance" enabling them to share flights and coordinate schedules globally.

INTERNET

Asian stocks down amid US economy pessimism

BANGKOK, 7 June—Asian stock markets fell for a second day Tuesday as pessimism about the health of the US economy led to another session of dour trading on Wall Street.

Oil prices slipped below \$99 a barrel ahead of a key OPEC meeting this week. The dollar strengthened against the euro and the yen as European officials haggled over how to prevent Greece from defaulting on billions of euros in debts.

Japan's Nikkei 225 was virtually unchanged at 9,383.32 and South Korea's Kospi index slipped 0.8 percent to 2,095.49, with heavy industrials sinking amid fears of a global economic slowdown.

Hyundai Heavy Industries Co slipped 1.3 percent, while steelmaker POSCO was 1.2 percent lower. Memory chip maker Hynix Semiconductor, among the most actively traded on the Kospi, bounced 2 percent.—Internet



Mario Picone, right, talks with fellow specialist Evan Solomon, left, as trader Edward Schreier works on his handheld device, on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange on 3 June, 2011.

INTERNET

Emerging markets to invest more overseas in future

LONDON, 7 June—James Turley, chief executive of Ernst & Young, expects more and more investment from emerging markets into foreign countries in the future. "If the last few decades were characterized by Western companies investing into the emerging markets, the next couple of decades will be characterized by that continuing, but also great companies from emerging markets investing outside of their region," Turley told Xinhua in a recent interview.

While encouraging companies from emerging markets to conduct more

overseas investment, Turley urged these companies to invest more time in understanding cultures of places they intend to invest in.

"It is very essential to develop real cultural sensitivity and awareness to how people think and what drives their behaviors in another country," Turley said. "Understanding the cultures and customs and the importance of those is the real determination of success, because it helps people build mutual trust, respect and understanding before doing business with each other."—Xinhua



Japanese astronaut plans to grow space cucumbers



Japanese astronaut Satoshi Furukawa, crew member of the mission to the International Space Station, ISS, waves before a news conference at the Russian leased Baikonur cosmodrome, Kazakhstan, on 6 June, 2011.

INTERNET

BAIKONUR, 7 June—Cucumbers may be out of favour on earth, but a Japanese astronaut said Monday that he plans to harvest the vegetable on board the *International Space Station*.

Satoshi Furukawa is set to blast off early Wednesday for a half-year stint in orbit along with Russian cosmonaut Sergei Volkov and NASA astronaut

Michael Fossum. Speaking about experiments scheduled for the next few months, Furukawa said he would be growing cucumbers as part of ongoing studies on how future space explorers will be able to harvest their own food.

"We wish we were able to eat the cucumbers, but we have not been allowed," Furukawa, a doctor, said at a news conference. Millions of concerned consumers across Europe have been spurning cucumbers in the wake of an *E. coli* outbreak blamed on contaminated vegetables that has killed 22 and sickened more than 2,200.

Mindful of their own health ahead of their mission, astronauts at the Russia-leased Baikonur launch pad in Kazakhstan remain in strict isolation in the days ahead of any launch to avoid exposure to infection. Furukawa, Fossum and Volkov sat behind a plate of protective glass as they talked about the highlights of their upcoming mission.—*Internet*

Solar tunnel powers part of Paris-Amsterdam train line

ANTWERP, (Belgium)

7 June—High-speed international trains linking Paris and Amsterdam as of Monday became the first in Europe to use electricity generated by solar panels installed in a tunnel on the line.

At a cost of 15.6 million euros, project managers say the 3.6-kilometre tunnel crossing Antwerp, in northern Belgium, is fitted with 16,000 solar panels covering 50,000 square metres, roughly eight football pitches.

The panels produce 3,300 megawatts per hour of electricity, or the average annual consumption of nearly 1,000 families.

The first "green



Workers install solar panels for the Hybrid solar lighting (HSL) tunnel in Brasschaat, Belgium in 2010.—INTERNET

train" left Antwerp on Monday for the Dutch border.

While it was filled as usual with commuters and students, for a dozen or so kilometres, its engines plugged into the solar energy source fitted along the line.

The electricity produced feeds into the line's infrastructure, for lighting, signals and in-train power points, said Frederic Sacre, spokesman for Infrabel, which runs the rail network.

Internet



Apple takes a giant leap into the 'iCloud' cloud

SAN FRANCISCO, 7 June—Apple chief executive Steve Jobs has interrupted his medical leave to unveil a free service called iCloud that stores music, photos and other content on the Web and shares it across multiple devices.

"We're going to move the digital hub to the cloud," the 56-year-old Jobs told software developers at Apple's annual Worldwide Developers Conference (WWDC) at San Francisco's Moscone Centre.

Jobs and other top Apple executives also gave developers a preview of the next generation of Lion, the software that powers Macintosh computers, and iOS 5, the latest mobile operating system for the iPhone, iPad and iPod Touch.

But the highlight of the event was Apple's long-awaited iCloud service, which eliminates the need to hook up a cable to transfer files between Apple devices.

"Keeping these devices in sync is driving us crazy," Jobs said to cheers from the audience of more than 5,000 software developers. "We think

the solution is our next big insight.

"iCloud stores your content in the cloud and automatically pushes it to all your devices," he said.

Apple said iCloud wirelessly synchronizes mail, contacts, calendars, e-books, music and other files across devices.

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US computer security titan RSA Security is offering to replace the SecurID tokens used by millions of corporate workers to securely log on to their computers, The Wall Street Journal reported Monday.

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RSA Security offers to replace SecurID tokens

WASHINGTON, 7 June—US computer security titan RSA Security is offering to replace the SecurID tokens used by millions of corporate workers to securely log on to their computers, *The Wall Street Journal* reported. RSA Security chairman Art Coviello told the newspaper in an interview that the company, which was the target of a sophisticated hacking attack in March, was ready to replace the tokens for "virtually every customer we have."

The Journal also said that RSA's parent company, EMC Corp, had acknowledged in a letter to customers on Monday that intruders had breached its security systems at defence contractor Lockheed Martin using data stolen from RSA.

SecurID tokens, which involve constantly changing passwords, are used by thousands of companies to allow employees to securely log on to computers or sensitive software systems. Coviello did not provide details of the Lockheed incident but the Journal said intruders did not take any Lockheed customer or employee data.

"Their modus operandi led us to believe this perpetrator was likely to attack defence secrets and related intellectual property," Coviello said.

"We believe and still believe that the customers are protected," he said, but as a precaution RSA will offer to replace nearly all of the millions of tokens used by government agencies and businesses.—*Internet*

Toshiba, Sony in talks to merge small LCD panel

TOKYO, 7 June—Toshiba Corp and Sony Corp are in talks to combine their units that make small and mid-size LCD panels for smartphones and tablet computers, and may sell a stake in the new entity to the Japanese government for about \$1.2 billion, industry sources said.

The new unit would overtake Sharp Corp as the leading maker of small liquid-crystal display

(LCD) panels, the *Nikkei* business daily reported earlier. The government-backed investment fund Innovation Network Corp of Japan is in discussions with the two firms to invest about 100 billion yen (\$1.24 billion) for a stake in the entity, the sources said on Tuesday.

Toshiba and Sony will aim to list the joint LCD panel business, the sources added. The *Nikkei* said Toshiba and Sony

are aiming to sell up to 80 percent of the unit to the government body.

Reuters

Toshiba's laptops are displayed at an electronic shop in Tokyo on 9 November, 2010.

INTERNET



Confucius Institute inaugurated in Russia's Nizhny Novgorod

MOSCOW, 7 June—A Confucius Institute was inaugurated Monday at Russia's Nizhny Novgorod State Linguistic University, bringing the total number of Confucius Institutes in Russia to 18.

The institute was established jointly by Nizhny Novgorod State Linguistic University and China's Sichuan International Studies University (SISU).

Addressing the event at the opening ceremony, Li Hui, the Chinese ambassador to Russia, said the 18th Confucius Institute in Russia would serve as a new platform for Sino-

Russian economic and cultural exchanges, particularly in promoting Chinese language study in Russia.

He also hoped it would help further strengthen the friendship ties and deepen cooperation in education between the two nations.

Dmitry Svatkovsky, deputy governor of Nizhny Novgorod, said that the Confucius Institute here would help the state to establish closer ties with China.

He believed the institute would become a study centre for local people to learn Chinese language and culture.



Chinese Ambassador to Russia Li Hui (1st R), Vice President of China's Sichuan International Studies University Li Jianping (2nd R), Rector of Linguistics University of Nizhny Novgorod Boris Zhigalev (2nd L), attend the launching ceremony of a Confucius Institute in Nizhny Novgorod, Russia, on 6 June, 2011.—XINHUA

Some 500 people, including Rector of Nizhny Novgorod State Linguistic University Boris Zhigalev, the SISU

Deputy Rector Li Jianping and teachers and students from both universities, attended the inauguration.—Xinhua

Italian scientists find extinct sea cow fossil in Philippines

BEIJING, 7 June—Italian scientists have found in the Philippines the bones of an extinct sea cow species that lived about 20 million years ago, media reports said Tuesday. Several ribs and spine parts of the aquatic mammal were found earlier this year in limestone rock above the waters of an underground river on the island of Palawan, University of Florence geologist Leonardo Piccini announced Monday at a symposium held at the Philippine presidential palace. Piccini said the fossil is in the rock and they want to wait for when technology will allow them to study the fossil without extracting it.

He said it was a rare discovery in the region from the Miocene era — 20 million years ago.—Xinhua

Naked Irish rower rescued off Australia



An Australian Seaking helicopter passes over a Japanese coast guard ship during a drill between the two nations.

INTERNET

SYDNEY, 7 June—An Irishman attempting to row across the Indian Ocean naked was rescued Tuesday after he was hit by a large wave and banged his head.

Keith Whelan, 30, was trying to become the youngest man, and first Irishman, to complete the 6,000 kilometre (3,720 mile) crossing, but came to grief in rough seas off Western Australia.

He was picked up by a Japanese ship some 206 kilometres northwest of Geraldton.

"He was hit by a wave overnight and sustained a large cut to his head," a spokeswoman at the Australian Maritime Safety Authority told AFP.

"He made a satellite phone call to a contact in the United Kingdom who then contacted Australian authorities and we diverted a merchant ship to pick him up."

On his website, Whelan said he was attempting the epic voyage naked to raise money for Keep a Child Alive, a charity dedicated to helping children and families affected by HIV/AIDS.

"At first I thought this was complete madness but at the same time it appealed to me," he said of why he was undertaking the trip.

"I am a risk taker and risking your life to achieve a dream is the biggest risk you can take."

He initially departed Geraldton on 7 May. But bad weather hampered his progress and forced him to spend time on the Abrolhos Islands, off the Western Australian coast.

He left there for Mauritius on 4 June.

Internet



A hair-stylist shows her skill puppets during a folk festival in Namur, Belgium, on 5 June, 2011. The festival lasts from 1st to 5th June this year in the southwest city Namur of Belgium, where thousands of people enjoy their day with dancing and singing. The annual festival and is one of the biggest events for the tourist season in Namur.
XINHUA

Car explodes in central Chisinau, Moldova

BUCHAREST, 7 June—President of Moldova's Tennis Federation was seriously wounded when a parked car exploded Tuesday in central Chisinau, capital of Moldova.

The car, which was parked there for two days, was totally burned, according to reports reaching here from Moldova.

"The blast was very powerful; it is premature to say what caused it. A conclusion on this case will be presented after specialists from the bomb and technical service investigate it," said Adrian Jovmir, head of the information and public relations service of the Chisinau General Police Commissariat.

It is not yet known the reason of the incident, and witnesses said that most likely the explosion was due to the natural gas devices on board.

MNA/Xinhua



President of Moldova's Tennis Federation Igor Turcan died of wounds he sustained when a parked car exploded Tuesday in the Moldovan capital of Chisinau.—INTERNET

Australia's military loses its UFO X-Files

CANBERRA, 7 June—Australia's military has lost its X-Files, detailing sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects, or UFOs, across the country, a newspaper report said Tuesday.

After a two-month search in response to a newspaper Freedom of Information (FOI) request, which forces government officials to release documents of public interest, Australia's Department of Defence had been unable to locate the files, the Sydney Morning Herald said.

"The files could not be located and Headquarters Air Command formally advised that this file is deemed lost," the department's FOI assistant director, Natalie Carpenter, told the paper. Defence officials could not be contacted by Reuters. The only file Defence had been able to locate was a folder called: "Report on UFOs/Strange Occurrences and Phenomena in Woomera," a military weapons testing range in the centre of Australia's vast outback, Carpenter said. All other files had been lost or destroyed, which the Herald said could fuel conspiracy theories about their disappearance.

The single remaining file detailed a sketchy series of sightings from around the country and overseas, including people living in towns near Woomera, in South Australia State.

X Files, named after a popular US television science fiction programme, refer to supposed government records detailing paranormal mysteries, usually involving fictitious alien species.—Reuters



Energy Ministry holds first monsoon tree-planting ceremony

NAY PYI TAW, 7 June—Ministry of Energy held the first monsoon tree-planting ceremony for 2011 at the enterprises of the ministry here today. Union Minister for

Energy U Than Htay attended the ceremony and planted a teak tree. Next, the deputy minister, managing directors and staff also planted shade trees and

perennial trees.

The ministry started planting trees on its 225 acres of land in 2006. A total of 58000 plants have been grown. At today's ceremony, more than 1600 trees were planted, bringing the total number to 59600.

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Union Minister for Energy U Than Htay plants a teak tree.—MNA

Sagaing Region Chief Minister attends ICT Exhibition Sagaing-2011

NAY PYI TAW, 7 June—Sagaing Region Chief Minister U Tha Aye visited ICT Exhibition Sagaing-2011 held at the town hall of Monywa on 5 June.

The Chief Minister inspected the place chosen to construct Sasana Beikman (religious building) on the platform of Maha

Sikhongyi Pagoda.

Yesterday, he inspected operation of looms and production line in Sagaing Textile Factory under the Ministry of Industry-1.

The Chief Minister later looked into water supply system of PS2 Pyawtywa river water pumping station in Myinmu Township.

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Sagaing Region Chief Minister U Tha Aye at ICT Exhibition Sagaing-2011.

MNA



Union Construction Minister urges staff to show skills at work

YANGON, 7 June—Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint yesterday held a meeting with staff

of the office of Yangon Region Superintending Engineer including staff from four districts at the office of Yangon Region

Superintending Engineer. He called on engineering staff to apply their skills at worksites.—MNA

Union Mines Minister receives Vice-President of Visa Power

NAY PYI TAW, 7 June—Vice-President Mr Bipin Kumar of Visa Power Limited, based in Kolkata, India and party called on Union Minister

for Mines U Thein Htaik, at the Minister's Office this morning.

At the call, both sides discussed cooperation in lime

which is a major raw material for construction of cement plant and coal exploration in line with laws and regulations.

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Professor Dr Daw Khin Phone Myint Kyu from Law Department of Pyay University reads paper on "Inheritance Under Myanmar Customary Law". (News from page-1)—MNA



Lecturer Daw Khin Mya Win from Law Department of University of Distance Education (Mandalay) reads paper on "Treaties and Third States". (News from page-1)—MNA

Border region cooperation and anti-transboundary crime meeting between Myanmar and China held

NAY PYI TAW, 7 June—A delegation led by Deputy Minister Mr Huang Ming of Public Security of the People's Republic of China arrived at Nay Pyi Taw Airport this morning to attend border region cooperation and anti-transboundary crime meeting.

The meeting, held at Myanmar International Convention Centre (MICC) here, focused on cooperation in border region, transboundary crime eradication and boosting cooperation between police forces of the two countries.

The meeting was attended by Deputy

Minister for Home Affairs Brig-Gen Kyaw Zan Myint, Chief of Myanmar Police Force Kyaw Kyaw Tun, directors-general of departments under the ministry and of Immigration and National Registration Department, and senior officers from MPF.

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Border region cooperation and anti-transboundary crime meeting between Myanmar and China in progress.—MNA



Union Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen Ko Ko receives delegation led by Vice Minister of Public Security Mr Huang Ming of the People's Republic of China.—MNA

Union Home Affairs Minister receives Chinese guests

NAY PYI TAW, 7 June—Union Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen Ko Ko met a delegation led by Vice Minister of Public Security Mr Huang Ming of the People's Republic of China, at the minister's office here this afternoon.

Also present on the occasion were Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Zan Myint, Chief of Myanmar Police Force Kyaw Kyaw Tun and officials.—MNA

20th ASEAN Customs Directors-General Meeting starts

NAY PYI TAW, 7 June — Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun delivered an opening address at 20th ASEAN Customs Directors-General Meeting held at Amara Hotel here this morning.

The Union Minister underlined the role of customs departments in realizing ASEAN Community in his address, saying the duties of customs departments are to encourage commodity flows integration, to earn revenues for the State and to handle border trade in compliance with policies and laws of the State.

He also said Myanmar formed National Window System Leading Committee which will join ASEAN Window System via ICT tools as it is one of



Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun delivers opening address at 20th ASEAN Customs Directors-General Meeting.—MNA

pivotal pledges of ASEAN nations.

The Union minister underscored the implementation of ASEAN Window System, Amendment of ASEAN Customs Agreement, ASEAN Passing System Base Contract and its technical appendix, ASEAN-China MoU, and

Customs Development Strategic Plan (2005-2010) Review as decisive successes of the ASEAN customs directors-general.

Chairman of ASEAN customs directors-general Acting Director-General U Aye Ko of Customs Department, predecessor Director-General Mr Prasong Poontaneat of Thai Customs Department and Director Mr Subsh Bose Pillai of ASEAN Secretary-General Office also made speeches.

The Union Minister U Hla Tun, Deputy Minister U Win Than, ASEAN customs directors-general and representatives from participating countries and organizations posed for documentary photo. The Union minister cordially greeted those present at the ceremony.

The meeting started after the opening ceremony and it will continue till 9 June. Customs development strategic plan, swift and smooth commodity flow and ASEAN Window System are seemed to occupy the meeting.—MNA



20th ASEAN Customs Directors-General Meeting in progress at Amara Hotel in Nay Pyi Taw.—MNA

Union Minister visits departments

NAY PYI TAW, 7 June—Union Minister for National Planning and Economic Development and for Livestock and Fisheries U Tin Naing Thein visited National Archive Department in Dagon Township here on 5 June.

The Union Minister met chiefs of district and township Planning Department at Yangon Region Planning Department in Kanbe of Yankin Township and gave instructions on matters related on planning.

He inspected motorbikes and automobiles in Central Equipment Statistics and Inspection Department in No. 1 Ward of Mayangon Township and coordinated essentials.—MNA

Union Minister for National Planning and Economic Development and for Livestock and Fisheries U Tin Naing Thein at National Archive Department in Dagon Township.—MNA



Monthly sports games to start in July



NAY PYI TAW, 7 June — Union Minister for Sports and for Hotels and Tourism U Tint Hsan said monthly sports tournaments will be organized starting from July and monthly best players will be awarded while visiting training camps for XXV SEA Games of Myanmar Sepak Takraw Federation and Myanmar Table Tennis Federation at Paunglaung Gymnasium in Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana this morning.

Athletes exhibited their performances before the union minister who then gave advice and presented cash assistances.—MNA

Union Minister U Tint Hsan views athletes undergoing training to take part in XXVI SEA Games.—MNA

Dy Health Minister visits hospitals in Bago Region, Mon and Kayin States

NAY PYI TAW, 7 June — Deputy Minister for Health Dr Win Myint visited Waw Township People's Hospital in Bago Region on 1 June and met the doctors, nurses, other staff and townselders. He next inspected the site for extension of the hospital ward.

In the afternoon, the deputy minister

inspected Kyaikto Township People's Hospital in Mon State and left instructions on greening tasks for the environ of the hospital.

Next, the deputy minister together with Kayin State Minister for Social Affairs, Education and Health U Saw Christopher visited Myainggalay People's

Hospital in Hpa-an Township in Kayin State. He then viewed the OPD of State General Hospital, wards and operation theatre. Later, the deputy minister met with the medical superintendent and specialists and left necessary instructions. Then, he inspected the site extension of the ward.

MNA

Myanmar-Vietnam Entrepreneurs to meet on 12 June

YANGON, 7 June— President U Win Aung of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry and General-Secretary Dr Myo Thet received Commercial Counsellor Mr Hoang Thinh Lam of the Embassy of the Socialist

Republic of Vietnam to Myanmar and Chief Representative Mr Vuong Thanh Long of Bank for Investment and Development of Vietnam (BIDV), at RUMFCCI Office here on 1 June.

The meeting mainly focused on boosting trade and investment between the two

countries and holding meeting between Myanmar entrepreneurs and Vietnamese entrepreneurs at RUMFCCI on 12 June.

Those wishing to attend the above meeting may register at RUMFCCI not later than 9 June (Ph-214344 and 214349).—MNA



Tahlay General Hospital being built.

Tahlay rising from...

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But it is now lively with activities for reconstruction. Director (Academic) of No. 2 Basic Education Department U Aung Chein told The Myanmar Alin that the schools in the town would open on schedule; and that the majority of the schools were wooden ones roofed with corrugated iron sheets, but the new buildings were modern ones well furnished with multimedia rooms and a wide range of pedagogical aids

alongside clean water system and fine toilets for the good health of the students.

According to our firsthand experiences, construction projects in the hilly town had been completed by over 60 per cent, and house projects were nearing completion.

Our itinerary also included Tahlay General Hospital which had been completed cent per cent. Doctor In Charge of the hospital Dr Kan Oo Aung said that the temporary hospital had all facilities such as office, men's

ward, women's ward, medical store, operation theatre and labour room; and that they made daily field trip to villages to carry out community-based

health movements such as providing health care, giving health educative talks, and giving treatments.

On arrival at the

rehabilitation camp, we witnessed that Administrator of Sub-Tahlay Township General Administration Department U Thet Htar Maung and officials presenting 1000 kitchen sets donated by the Myanmar Red Cross Society to the victims at the rate of one set a household. A set is worth 60,000 kyats.

Tahlay and surrounding areas faced the nightmare of a strong earthquake which caused massive destruction. However, thanks to the material and mental support by the government and well-wishers, the country town rises like a phoenix



Doctor In Charge Dr Kan Oo Aung of Tahlay temporary hospital.

from the ashes of the catastrophe.

It is, therefore, safe to say that the border town is poised to enjoy better status than previous.

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Housing projects in Tahlay nearing completion.

Over 100 flights cancelled in Argentina due to volcanic ashes



An aircraft belonging to Austral with ash on it from Chile's Puyehue-Cordon Caulle volcano chain remains stranded on the tarmac of the sky resort San Carlos de Bariloche in Argentina's Patagonia on 6 June, 2011.

XINHUA

BUENOS AIRES, 7 June— More than 100 flights have been canceled in the last 24 hours in Argentina due to a towering plume of ash blown into the country from the erupting Puyehue volcano in neighbouring Chile.

The 2,240-metre-high Puyehue volcano, located just west of the Chilean-Argentine border, began erupting Saturday, sending a six-mile-high (10-km-high) cloud of ash even into southern Buenos Aires Province, hundreds of miles to the northeast.

The airport in Bahia Blanca, a major city south of Buenos Aires, was closed Monday morning for safety reasons and will not be opened

again at least until Wednesday, an official at the National Civil Aviation Administration (ANAC) told *Xinhua*.

On Sunday, airports were also closed in the region around San Carlos de Bariloche, about 90 kilometres west of the Puyehue volcano, and in Trelew on the Atlantic coast. The canceled flights are mainly those flying out of Buenos Aires to the affected regions, operated by the Chilean airline LAN, Aerolineas Argentinas (AA) and Austral airlines.

AA and Austral announced they were suspending all flights to southern parts of Argentina at least until 12 June.—MNA/Xinhua



A view of the ash plume above the Puyehue-Cordon Caulle volcano chain near Entrelagos on 5 June, 2011.—XINHUA

14 dead, 35 missing in southwest China floods

GUIYANG, 7 June— Rain-triggered floods have caused 14 deaths and left 35 people missing in a southwest China county, the local government said Tuesday.

As of 8 am, the floods have forced at least 45,000 residents in Wangmo County of Guizhou Province to evacuate, and 3,000 others remained stranded, the county's flood control and drought relief office said in a Press release.

Flood waters inundated the county seat on Monday, disrupting power and water supplies and telecommunication services in several towns, it said.

The floods damaged 5,500 hectares of cropland, washed away

more than 500 vehicles, toppled 100 homes and destroyed roads and bridges, the document said.

The local government has mobilized more than 330 soldiers and policemen to clean up roads hoping to restore traffic for students rushing to the national college entrance exam that opens Tuesday.

Rain-triggered floods have so far hit 11 cities and counties across Guizhou Province, affecting at least 270,000 people, the provincial civil affairs bureau said. The local weather bureau said the first round of continuous downpours began on 3 June.

As of Monday, precipitation topped 100

mm in 16 counties. Another 31 counties received 55 to 100 mm of rainfall, it said.

Xinhua



People pull an overturned truck out of the mud after heavy rainfall in Wangmo County of southwest China's Guizhou Province, on 6 June, 2011.

XINHUA

Death toll from Indonesia ship accident rises to 28

JAKARTA, 7 June— "Rescuers recovered 10 more bodies today so the number of people killed so far is 28. Some were trapped in the ship while others were found at sea," local port authority official Hariyono said.

"Some reported to be missing earlier had also been found. Only one or two are still missing and rescuers are searching for them," he added. The ship, which carrying four crew members and around 100 passengers,

was hit by strong winds and high waves in the sea off South Kalimantan province on Monday, he said.—Internet

Rescuers on Tuesday plucked 10 more bodies from the waters after a passenger ship capsized off Indonesia's Borneo island, raising the death toll from the accident to 28, an official said.—INTERNET



Children walk next to a flooded home after heavy rains just outside of Santo Domingo on 6 June, 2011.

XINHUA

Dominican Republic declares red alert over heavy rains

SANTO DOMINGO, 7 June— Dominican Republic authorities said Monday announced a red alert in three provinces after three days of torrential rains that isolated 30 communities.

The Centre of Emergency Operations raised the alert level from yellow to red in the capital of Santo Domingo, southern San Cristobal and northwestern Monte Plata, while a yellow alert

was kept in nine provinces.

The authorities said about 400 families were affected while five bridges were damaged. A landslide caused by the rains Friday killed one person Friday in Santiago, north of Santo Domingo.

The National Office of Meteorology said downpours would continue to hit the Caribbean Region in the coming days.

In Haiti, which shares the Hispaniola Island with The Dominican Republic, authorities are also on alert as two people died following the rains.

The 2011 hurricane season in the Caribbean and Atlantic officially started last Wednesday and meteorology services predict that at least nine major storms have the potential to reach hurricane category.

MNA/Xinhua

Worst flood hits northern Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO, 7 June— The Brazilian state of Roraima, in the country's northern region, is facing the worst flood since 1976, local authorities said on Monday.

The level of the Branco River rose 10.02 metres, surpassing the 9.8-metre level in 1976, isolated several areas and flooded 80 percent of the neighbourhoods in Roraima's capital City Boa Vista. It also blocked main federal highways in the state.

Authorities declared state of emergency in

almost all municipalities of Roraima. Governor Jose de Anchieta declared public calamity in the state on Sunday.

The governor requested help from the armed forces and traveled to Brazilian Capital Brasilia for federal help. He will meet with National Integration Minister Fernando Bezerra de Souza.

Over 400 people had to leave their homes and schools in the affected areas suspended activities, leaving 25,000 children without classes.—Xinhua

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Senior US economic adviser to Obama resigns

WASHINGTON, 7 June—Economist Austan Goolsbee announced that he was resigning as the chairman of President Barack Obama's Council of Economic Advisers to return to his tenured teaching job at the University of Chicago.

Goolsbee will return to Chicago in time for the academic year that begins in September, the White House said in a statement. Obama chose Goolsbee in September

2010 for the top economic adviser job, replacing Christina Romer, who also left to return to the academic world. The council is a three-member panel that provides advice based on economic research and analysis to the president on domestic and international issues.

Goolsbee has been with Obama since he served as an advisor in the president's 2008 election campaign.

Over the past years Goolsbee "has helped steer our country out of the worst economic crisis since the Great Depression, and although there is still much work ahead, his insights and counsel have helped lead us toward an economy that is growing and creating millions of jobs," Obama said in the statement.

The US president praised Goolsbee as "one of America's great economic thinkers" and



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"a close friend and one of my most trusted advisers."

Goolsbee said in the statement that he "will always be proud of the years I have spent working for this president," and praised Obama's judgment and courage "in confronting the worst economic crisis of our lifetimes."—Internet



Traditionally dressed people carry a basket of rose in a parade during the rose festival at the Rose Valley near the town of Kazanlak, some 200 kilometres east of Sofia, capital Bulgaria, on 5 June, 2011. The first Sunday of June every year is the rose festival of Bulgaria.—XINHUA

Boeing to debut jumbo 747-8s at Paris Air Show

NEW YORK, 7 June—Boeing said Monday its new 747-8 jumbo planes — passenger and cargo — would debut for the first time outside the United States this month at the Paris Air Show.

The 747-8 Intercontinental passenger jet will arrive at Le Bourget Airport on 19 June, while the 747-8 Freighter will land on 20 June, opening day of the biannual aerospace showcase, the US aerospace giant said

in a statement.

The two models will join Boeing's new 787 Dreamliner passenger plane at the show, as well as other of the company's commercial and military aircraft.

The 747-8 is an updated, longer and more fuel-efficient version of Boeing's huge 747 double-decker aircraft that entered service in 1970.

A Boeing spokesman told AFP said the first

747-8 Freighter would be delivered to Luxembourg's Cargolux sometime in September.

Internet

The 747-8 Intercontinental, Boeing's largest-ever passenger airplane, lands from its first flight, at Boeing Field in Washington state on 20 March.—INTERNET



Cell phones pose possible cancer risk

BEIJING, 7 June—An international panel of scientific experts said that cell phones should be considered a possible cause of brain cancer, according to media reports on Tuesday. The World Health Organization (WHO) issued a press release last week announcing that its International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) was classifying radiofrequency electromagnetic fields emitted by wireless phones as a possible carcinogen.

The announcement came as a working group of 31 scientists from around

the world met this week in Lyons, France, to determine whether cell phone emissions could cause cancer.

They have determined that there is an increased risk of glioma, a malignant type of brain cancer, that appears to be linked to cell phone use. While the working group note that at least one previous study found a 40 percent increased risk of brain cancer among cell phone users who talked on their mobile phones for at least 30 minutes per day for 10 years.—Xinhua



Rafael Nadal of Spain poses for photos with children at Disneyland Resort in Marne-la-Vallée outside Paris, capital of France, on 6 June, 2011.

XINHUA

Gang of abduction captured in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 7 June—Iraqi security forces carried out an operation in central Baghdad and captured 34 suspects of a gang accused of kidnapping women, children and engaging in human organs trafficking, the police said.

Iraqi security forces raided Battween area in downtown Baghdad and captured 34 suspects believed to be involved in activities of kidnapping women and children in addition to human organs trafficking, a source from the Iraqi counter-terrorism office said.

"The gang members are among the most dangerous terrorists in Iraq, who are active across the country from Mosul in the north to Basra in the south," said the source who refused to be named. Meanwhile, two policemen were killed when gunmen using silenced weapons opened fire on the victims' vehicle in central Baghdad, an Interior Ministry source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

MNA/Xinhua



US Airways flight 1549 also known as the "Miracle on the Hudson" is hauled on a truck through the streets in Elizabeth, New Jersey, on 4 June, 2011.

Man 'alarmed' by bikini zombies

Police in Connecticut said they were called by a resident who was "alarmed" by a group of bikini-clad women taking pictures in zombie makeup.

Enfield police said they received a call at about 5:15 pm Sunday from a Mathewson Street resident who said he was "alarmed" by the group of about 15 young women wearing bikinis and zombie makeup. The Hartford Courant reported Monday.

Police said they spoke to the women about the complaint and they voluntarily moved to another street. The women told officers they were Six Flags makeup artists performing a photo shoot for a calendar.

Canada's PM seeks name for new cat

Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper says a new cat joined the family at the official ministerial residence and is offering the public the chance to name it. "Happy to have a new Harper at 24," a statement on the prime minister's Facebook page said. "He's a grey tabby and needs a name, vote for your favourite." The official residence of the prime minister is 24 Sussex Drive in the New Edinburgh neighbourhood of Ottawa.

Early suggestions for a name included Majority, referring to Harper's recent election success — in which his party won a long sought parliamentary majority — as well as Stanley, in honour of the Vancouver Canucks' run toward the NHL Stanley Cup, *Postmedia News* reported Monday.

Harper is known as

a cat lover and posted pictures of the kitty on his Facebook page. He and wife Laureen have taken part in the Ottawa Humane Society's Foster Programme, which provides temporary homes for pets in the community who are not yet ready for adoption.

News Album

Woman resisted after asking for jail

Police in Delaware said a woman who asked to be taken to jail wound up charged with resisting arrest for trying to fight with state troopers.

The Delaware State Police said they responded to a complaint at the Super Lodge Motel in Newcastle at about 6 am Saturday and the troopers were approached by Teiera Rider, 20, who they said was "demanding" to be taken to jail, the *Philadelphia Daily News* reported Monday.

Troopers said Rider refused their requests for her to calm down and she is accused of kicking and spitting at them as they placed her under arrest.

Rider was charged with resisting arrest, offensive touching of law-enforcement officers, criminal mischief, underage drinking and disorderly conduct.

Police said Rider may have requested to be arrested due to a bench warrant for her arrest stemming from Rider allegedly spitting on a Wilmington, Del, police officer at the scene of a car crash.



People hug trees to take part in an attempt to create a Guinness World Record for the most number of people hugging trees for two minutes in Kathmandu, Nepal, on 5 June, 2011. A total of 879 people took part in the event, which was held on World Environment Day to spread the message of saving the environment.

Daniel Radcliffe to sing at Tony Awards



Actor Daniel Radcliffe

NEW YORK, 7 June—If you want to see Daniel Radcliffe sing, tune in early to the Tony

Awards.

The "Harry Potter" star says he'll perform the song "Brotherhood of Man" from his Broadway show "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" early in Sunday's telecast.

Says Radcliffe: "I think we're one of the first, if not the first."

Radcliffe revealed the news Monday while welcoming hundreds of New York City students

as they made their Broadway debuts — performing routines from musicals on the Majestic Theatre stage.

Radcliffe was passed over for a Tony nomination, but says he's pulling for co-stars John Larroquette and Tammy Blanchard, who are up for awards.

"If John won it would be just amazing," he says. "Only because I have a lot of scenes with him."—*Internet*



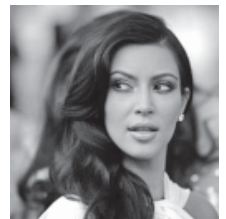
Model Amber Lancaster arrives at the 2011 MTV Movie Awards in Los Angeles on 5 June, 2011.

XINHUA

Kim Kardashian confused about wedding dress

LONDON, 7 June—Kim Kardashian, who is all set to marry fiancé Kris Humphries who proposed her last month, is unable to decide her wedding dress.

"I keep on changing my mind. I definitely want something custom, and it's going to take time to get sketches and all of that," she told *People* magazine.



Kim Kardashian

"There's nothing really that I saw in [my] mind," she says. "So I really have to buckle down and just sit and figure it out," added Kim.

She is planning to tie the knot this summer.

"There's so much to do that I just feel like, 'Oh my God, I better get going. I haven't even thought of the dress yet,'" she said.

For now, the bride-to-be is focused on promoting the sixth season of "Keeping Up With the Kardashians" which returns on E! 12 June.—*Internet*



Model Candice Swanepoel presents a creation of the Oscar De La Renta collection during a fashion show in Mexico City on 4 June, 2011.

XINHUA

"Lonely Boy" songwriter Andrew Gold dies at 59

BEIJING, 7 June—Andrew Gold, versatile singer, musician and composer whose songs included the chart success in the 1970s "Lonely Boy" and "Thank You For Being a Friend," has died at his home in California, aged 59, according to media reports.

His sister, Melani Gold Friedman, told the *Los Angeles Times* that Gold died in his sleep Friday at his home in Encino, Calif. She said he had cancer but had been responding to treatment.

Gold was a multi-instrumental player, who got his break in 1973 when he joined Linda Ronstadt's band. He

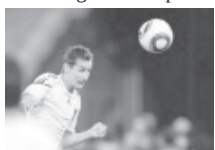
arranged songs for and performed on several Ronstadt albums, including Heart Like a Wheel, and did session work for artists such as James Taylor and Carly Simon.

While working in Ronstadt's band, Gold embarked on a solo career and released hit singles such as "Lonely Boy" and "Thank You for Being a Friend," the latter gaining additional recognition as the theme to the TV sitcom "The Golden Girls."

Gold was the son of Academy Award-winning composer Ernest Gold and vocalist Marni Nixon.—*Xinhua*

Klose quits Bayern, poised to join Valencia

BERLIN, 7 June — Veteran Germany striker Miroslav Klose is to quit Bayern Munich, the Bavarian giants announced Monday, and he is now set to join Spanish side Valencia, according to a report in German daily *Bild*. Klose, who turns 33 on Thursday, will part company with Bayern Munich, where his contract expires at the end of the month, and is set to announce his switch from the Bundesliga to the Spanish



Veteran Germany striker Miroslav Klose

league.

"Unfortunately, the talks with Miroslav Klose have not led to a positive outcome," said Bayern CEO Karl-Heinz Rummenigge in a statement. "We would have liked to have extended his contract, but we could not agree on terms. Bayern Munich would like to wish Miroslav Klose and his family all the best for the future and to thank him for all his work with us."

The Germany star, who has scored 61 goals in 109 international appearances, has rejected Bayern's offer of a one-year contract with the option of an extra year having spent most of last season on the bench, according to *Bild*.

Internet

Second-string France hammer Ukraine in late show

DONETSK, 7 June — Three late goals saw a second-string France side inflict a 4-1 humbling of joint Euro 2012 hosts Ukraine in a friendly here on Monday to extend their unbeaten run under coach Laurent Blanc to nine matches.

All the goals came in the second-half as the French came from a goal down — scored by veteran Ukrainian Anatoly Tymoshchuk — with Kevin Gameiro levelling with his first goal in four appearances, a double from Marvin Martin on his debut and another from defender Younes Kaboul rounding off the victory.

The last three goals came in the final three minutes with Sochaux's

Martin emulating French legend Zinedine Zidane in scoring a double on his debut. Blanc, who made 10 changes to the side that performed poorly in the 1-1 Euro qualifier with Belarus on Friday, was delighted that his reserves had given the senior players something to think about. —Internet



Kevin Gameiro of France reacts after scoring against Ukraine during their friendly football match Ukraine vs France at the Dombass Arena in Donetsk. — INTERNET

Deschamps signs extension to Marseille deal



Didier Deschamps

MARSEILLE, 7 June — Didier Deschamps on Monday confirmed he will stay on as coach of French giants Marseille through next season and

beyond after announcing he has extended his current deal by two years to 2014.

Speculation had surrounded Deschamps' future with Marseille after he made comments in May which suggested he could move on if club bosses did not spell out their intentions for the coming seasons.

Internet



A general view of Poland's National Stadium in Warsaw. — INTERNET

Pressure on Poland, a year before Euro 2012

WARSAW, 7 June — With just a year to go to Euro 2012, co-host nation Poland is under mounting pressure to get ready and is under the microscope on a daily basis, as organizers insist all is on track. The current focus is on botched stairs at the site of the new national stadium in the capital Warsaw, where the European Championships kick off on 8 June, 2012.

The construction firm has received an ultimatum, with top officials stepping in, including Sunday league player Prime Minister Donald Tusk. After

stadium delays in the Baltic port of Gdansk forced Poland to switch Thursday's friendly with France to a club ground in Warsaw, they do not want a repeat for the national arena's opener against Germany on 6 September.

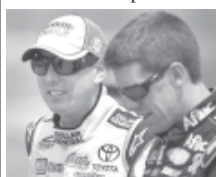
In gloomy mood, the tabloid *Fakt* headlined "Could we be stripped of Euro 2012?" and the broadsheet *Polska*, "Is Euro 2012 beyond our ability?" Such headlines are off the mark, insists Mikolaj Piotrowski, spokesman of organizing body PL.2012. —Internet

Childress fined \$150,000 for Busch altercation

CHARLOTTE, 7 June — Richard Childress was fined \$150,000 on Monday for assaulting Kyle Busch, the latest incident in an ongoing feud between NASCAR's most polarizing driver and Childress' race teams. NASCAR also placed Childress on probation through the end of the year, finding the team owner solely at fault for Saturday's incident at Kansas Speedway. The 65-year-old grandfather apparently approached Busch after the Trucks race, placed him in a headlock, and punched him several times.

"We feel this action is appropriate and are confident all parties involved understand our position on

this matter and will move forward appropriately," NASCAR said in a statement. Childress, who dodged a suspension from NASCAR, was upset that Busch had bumped into Joey Coulter on the cool-down lap after the race. He said in a statement that he accepts the penalty, but he did not apologize for his actions. — Internet



Sprint Cup Series driver Kyle Busch(L)

Germany's Loew relaxed despite mounting injuries

BERLIN, 7 June — With his team almost assured of a place at Euro 2012, Germany coach Joachim Loew is relaxed about his side's qualifier against minnows Azerbaijan on Tuesday despite mounting injury problems. Victory in Baku on the Caspian Sea would give Germany a ten-point lead at the top of Group A and would almost certainly mean a place at Euro 2012, to be hosted by Poland and the Ukraine next June.

Germany left it late to beat Austria 2-1 in Vienna on Friday and a win in Baku would put them in an almost unassailable position at the top of the table. With his team bidding to make it seven wins from seven, Loew flew from Vienna to Baku with

a squad missing eight players, including first-choice stars Sami Khedira, Bastian Schweinsteiger and Miroslav Klose. With a depleted midfield, Loew has called up Under-21 players Lewis Holtby of Mainz and Sebastian Rudy of Hoffenheim to complete his squad.

Despite having midfield problems, Loew has again ignored ex-captain Michael Ballack, who spent last season trying to hold down a regular place at Bundesliga side Bayer Leverkusen.

Internet



German football coach Joachim Loew

Horton hospitalized, left Game 3 on stretcher

BOSTON, 7 June — Boston Bruins forward Nathan Horton remained hospitalized on Monday

night after leaving Game 3 of the Stanley Cup finals on a stretcher, strapped to a backboard with his neck immobilized, following a frightening collision with Vancouver Canucks defenceman Aaron Rome in the first period.

Horton had just passed the puck when Rome came at him from the blindside, lowered his shoulder and flattened him — the kind of hit the NHL has tried to eliminate after several players have sustained severe concussions, including Bruins forward Marc Savard. —Internet



Boston Bruins right wing Nathan Horton lies on the ice after being checked to the ice by Vancouver Canucks' Aaron Rome during the first period in Game 3 of the NHL hockey Stanley Cup Finals in Boston.

INTERNET

Lu into second round, Federer pulls out of Halle tennis

HALLE, 7 June — Taipei's Yen-Hsun Lu booked his place in the second round of Halle's ATP tournament with a 7-6 (7/2), 6-3 win over Finland's Jarkko Nieminen on Monday. Lu, who reached the quarter-finals at Wimbledon last year, finally got into his stride in the second set but admitted the transition from clay to grass is no easy task.

Lu will play a German in the second round and faces either wild-card Dustin Brown or sixth-seed Florian Mayer. "For sure,

they will want to do well at home and they will have the crowd behind them," said Lu. "It will help them, but I can't care about that, I have to focus on my game and not lose my concentration." However, the tournament suffered a

huge blow when later on Monday they lost their main drawcard as top seed and six-time Wimbledon champion Roger Federer pulled out.

The 30-year-old Swiss — who had been scheduled to face Australia's former world number one Lleyton Hewitt in a rematch of last year's final which the Aussie won — announced he did not want to risk aggravating his delicate groin ahead of Wimbledon later this month. —Internet

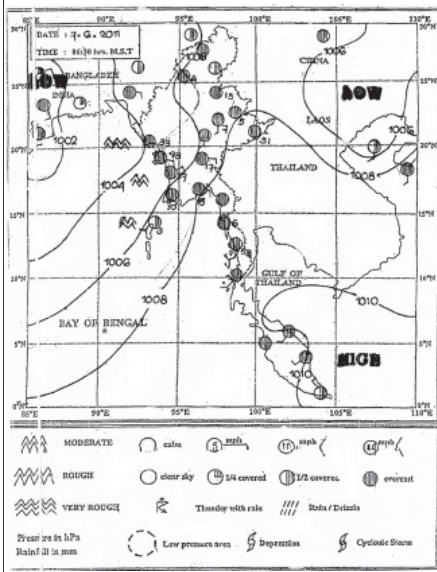


Roger Federer of Switzerland

S P O R T S

WEATHERTuesday, 7th 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, rain or thundershowers has been isolated in Kachin State, scattered in Magway Region, Kayah and Kayin States, fairly widespread in Mandalay and Ayeyawady Regions, Mon States and widespread in the remaining Regions and States with regionally heavyfall in Lower Sagaing Region and isolated heavyfall in Upper Sagaing and Mandalay Regions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Kalewa (3.07) inches, Mogok (2.64) inches, Namhsan (2.24) inches, Myeik (2.09) inches, Tagaung (1.86) inches, Monywa (1.78) inches, Kanbalu (1.73) inches and Kyaukpau (1.69) inches.

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 6-6-2011 was 91°F. Minimum temperature on 7-6-2011 was 77°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 7-6-2011 was (79%). Rainfall on 7-6-2011 was (Tr).

Nay Pyi Taw (Airport)

Maximum temperature on 6-6-2011 was 94°F. Minimum temperature on 7-6-2011 was 73°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 7-6-2011 was (84%). Rainfall on 7-6-2011 was (0.08) inch.

Rainfall on 7-6-2011 was (Tr) at Nay Pyi Taw, (0.59) inch at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) and (0.28) inch

at Mandalay. Total rainfall since 1-1-2011 was (14.61) inches at Nay Pyi Taw, (25.12) inches at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) and (13.23) inches at Mandalay. Maximum wind speed at Nay Pyi Taw was (12) mph from Northwest (09:30) hours MST on 7-6-2011.

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

Forecast valid until evening of the 8th June 2011: Rain or thundershowers will be widespread in Yangon, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Regions, Kachin, Rakhine, Kayin and Mon States and fairly widespread Upper Sagaing and Bago Regions, Shan and Chin States and scattered 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 off and along Myanmar Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of increase of rain in the Coastal Areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 8th June 2011: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 8th June 2011: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 8th June 2011: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Crouch dismisses 'quit' claims

LONDON, 7 June — England striker Peter Crouch on Tuesday rejected reports indicating he planned to quit international football after being consistently snubbed by Fabio Capello.

Crouch, 30, was reported to have called time on his England

career after failing to even win a place on the bench for Saturday's 2-2 draw with Switzerland at Wembley.

However the tall Spurs forward, who has netted an impressive 22 goals in 42 games for England, insisted on Tuesday that he had not turned his back on

playing international football.

"Do I want to carry on playing for England? Yeah, of course," Crouch said at an England sponsors event on Tuesday. "I would never give up playing for my country at any stage."

Internet



England striker Peter Crouch, seen here in 2010, rejected reports indicating he planned to quit international football after being consistently snubbed by Fabio Capello.

INTERNET

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL**Programme Schedule**

(8-6-2011) (Wednesday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	- (09:00am~11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission	- (8-6-11 09:30 am ~ 9-6-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * History of Mrauk U Pagoda
- * News
- * Golden Dreams & His Art Academy Diramore
- * News
- * The Consequences to Climate Change
- * News
- * National Young Generation Martial Arts Exhibition

Oversea Transmission

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- * National Young Generation Martial Arts Exhibition
- * News
- * Youth of The Future "Hair Designer"
- * News
- * Sitagu International Buddhist Academy (SIBA) (Part-II)
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Seed Banks: A Stock of Million Treasures
- * News
- * The Richly Blessed Gem Land
- * Myanmar Movies "Whom do you love most"



Wednesday,

8 June

View on today

7:00 am

1. Paritta By Hilly Region Missionary Sayadaw

7:25 am

2. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

3. Morning News

7:40 am

4. Dhamma Puja Song

7:50 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

8:05 am

6. Health Programme

8:10 am

7. Cultural Dances

8:20 am

8. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions

8:30 am

9. Documentary

8:40 am

10. International News

8:45 am

11. Musical Programme

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:05 pm

2. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions

4:15 pm

3. Dance Of National Races

4:20 pm

4. Musical Programme

4:30 pm

5. University Of Distance Education (TV Lectures) - Third Year (Economic)

4:45 pm

6. Songs For Upholding National Spirit

4:50 pm

7. Classical Songs

5:00 pm

8. Performance with Song

5:10 pm

9. Teleplay (Health)

5:35 pm

10. International Science News

5:45 pm

11. "ASEAN" Programme

6:00 pm

12. Evening News

6:15 pm

13. Weather Report

6:20 pm

14. Traditional Boxing

6:35 pm

15. Shwe Yin Chone Than

7:00 pm

16. Documentary

7:30 pm

17. Centenary Of Alinga Kyawzwar Shwe Pyi Aye (Composer)

7:45 pm

18. Documentary

8:00 pm

19. News

20. International News

21. Weather Report

22. Korea NG Award

23. TV Drama Series

24. Myanmar Video-Feature

- ★ 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

Model farms and research, key to boosting agricultural production

*Union Minister for
Agriculture and
Irrigation U Myint
Hlaing addresses
coordination meeting
of the ministry.*

MNA



NAY PYI TAW, 7 June—Statistics of rice output in Nay Pyi Taw Council Area will be collected simultaneously in the townships, as part of recording accurate sown acreage and per acre yields of crops for development of the nation's agricultural sector in the short and long runs, said Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing at the work coordination meeting at his ministry here this morning.

Research on high-yield strains of crops is to be carried out on a broader scale for enabling the nation to keep abreast of other countries and ensuring food security, he said, adding that agriculturists, staff, local authorities and related companies should establish model plots to inspire farmers to apply good agriculture practice and use organic and inorganic fertilizers and pesticides proportionately and at the right time. He urged those responsible and agricultural companies to

organize peasants to take part in the ministry's three primary duties: seed production, training and education, and research and development.

Union Minister for Cooperatives U Ohn Myint dealt with matters for formation of agricultural cooperatives syndicates in Nay Pyi Taw Council Area.

Deputy Ministers for Agriculture and Irrigation U Ohn Than and U Khin Zaw touched upon qualitative and quantitative improvement of agricultural production through scientific methods, and agricultural reforms and management for transformation into mechanized farming.

Member of Nay Pyi Taw Council U Myint Shwe discussed tasks for accurate paddy sown acreage and output in the area; and officials from the two ministries, related tasks. Attendees held all-round discussions.

After the meeting, Union ministers, deputy

ministers and officials visited model plots of paddy and sugarcane in Pobbathiri Township in the area.

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