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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

Information Ministry has grown 29,900 trees of various species up to date for helping green region

NAY PYI TAW, 16 June—The Ministry of Information held its monsoon tree-growing ceremony for 2011 at its compound here this morning.

Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan planted a commemorative sapling.

Deputy Minister U Soe Win planted a mango sapling, and departmental heads and officials, teak saplings.

The Union Minister and party encouraged staff members growing trees.

The Union Minister set free fingerlings of carp and hamilton's carp into Dam No. 38 of the ministry, so did the deputy minister, heads of department and staff members.

The Union Minister and party visited the mango farm of the Information and Public Relations

Department in the ministry compound and attended to the needs.

Altogether 439 saplings of teak, perennial crops and shade trees were planted in the Nay Pyi Taw Press of the News and Periodicals Enterprise in Zeyathiri Township, and 1000 teak saplings, 500 seintalon mango saplings and 500 oil Eugenia saplings in the Myanmar Radio and Television in Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon. So far, the Myanmar Radio and Television in Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon has grown 2000 teak trees, 1000 seintalon mango trees and 800 Eugenia trees.

At today's ceremony, the ministry planted 3500 saplings and set free 60,000 fingerlings into the dam.

Up to 2010, the Ministry of Information has grown 29,900 trees of various species of trees for helping green the region.—MNA



Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan puts fingerlings into Dam No. 38 of Ministry of Information.

MNA

Union A&I Minister explains 30-acre integrated farm in Pobbathiri Township to students



NAY PYI TAW, 16 June—Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing conducted excursion group members led by Kayah State Minister for Planning/Economic U Tawt Yei and students and teachers of Institute of Agriculture and University of Agriculture at model paddy fields, Yezin special yield sunflower-1 plantation, high yield sugarcane plantations and farming equipment at 30-acre integrated

Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing conducts students and teachers of excursion groups at 30-acre integrated farm in Pobbathiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw.—MNA

farm in Pobbathiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw this morning.

The excursion group members viewed farming equipment, paddy harvesters, tractors and combine harvesters. They also visited thriving hybrid sunflower-1 plantation of Agricultural Research Department.

They also looked round thriving high yield paddy plantation in Zeyathiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw and quality sugarcane propagation farm in Pyinmana Township of Nay Pyi Taw.

In the afternoon, the excursion group members visited 30-acre integrated farm and quality plantations of Agricultural Research Department.

MNA

PERSPECTIVES

Friday, 17 June, 2011

Produce more import-substitute products

Nowadays, all countries put national interest in fore. They are in competitiveness for increasing national financial might and strengthening national economic life. They produce a large number of quality products and sell them in the market.

Realizing market economic system, trade volume has increased about twenty times in the nation. In successive eras, Myanmar economy had relied on paddy only. Thanks to encouragement of the government and concerted efforts of private entrepreneurs, exports of beans and pulses, maize, sesame and rubber in addition to paddy can be extended annually.

Strenuous efforts are to be made for development of industrial sector through agriculture sector so as to develop State economy in long run. It is necessary to establish export products industries in addition to existing export items. Import-substitute products are to be manufactured for satisfying the local demand.

Industrial regions and industrial zones have been established in suitable regions with the aim of emerging industries and factories in the nation. New factories and workshops are in operation to produce import-substitute products. Heavy Automobile Factories, Farming Equipment Factories and Machine and Machine Tools Factories in some industrial regions are gaining production momentum.

Emphasis is to be placed on manufacturing quality products so as to compete with products of international community in the market. Relentless efforts are to be made for exporting more products.

Thanks to practising market economy for uplifting trade sector, the nation will gain economic development. As such, all factories are to produce marketable products at full capacity and establish export product industries for manufacturing more quality products.



Union Minister for Electric Power No. 2 U Khin Maung Soe plants a coconut palm at 2011 rainy season tree growing ceremony.

MNA

Appointment of Ambassador agreed on

NAY PYI TAW, 17 June—The Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar has agreed to the appointment of Mr Amjad Majid Abbasi as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar in succession to His Excellency Mr Qazi M Khalilullah.

Mr Amjad Majid Abbasi was born in 1955 and holds a Bachelor's degree in Political Science and History. He joined the Foreign Service of Pakistan in 1981. During his diplomatic career, he has served at various positions at Pakistan Missions in Tunis from 1985 to 1989, in Dubai from 1992 to 1994, in Bandar Seri Begawan from 1994 to 1998, in Dushanbe from 2001 to 2004 and in Ankara from 2004 to 2007. He was served as Deputy Chief of Protocol from 2007 to 2008.

Mr Amjad Majid Abbasi is presently serving as Director General in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

Mr Amjad Majid Abbasi is married.

MNA

Union Foreign Affairs Minister receives Ukrainian Ambassador

NAY PYI TAW, 16 June—Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin received a delegation led by Ambassador of Ukraine Mr Markian Chuchuk at the ministry, here, at 3.30 pm today.

Their discussions focused on strengthening of



bilateral relations and cooperation between Myanmar and Ukraine.—MNA

Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin receives Ambassador of Ukraine Mr Markian Chuchuk and party.—MNA

EP-2 Ministry plants 2250 saplings

NAY PYI TAW, 16 June—The Ministry of Electric Power No. 2 held the rainy season tree growing ceremony at its ministry, here, yesterday morning.

Union Minister for Electric Power No. 2 U Khin Maung Soe, Deputy

Minister U Aung Than and officials planted coconut palms and viewed participation of staff in tree growing ceremony.

Staff of the ministry yesterday grew 2250 saplings.

MNA

MYANMAR GAZETTE

NAY PYI TAW, 16 June—The President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar has confirmed the appointment of Managing Director Dr Aung Kyaw Soe of Myanma Textile Industries of the Ministry of Industry-1 on expiry of the one-year probation period.

The President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar has appointed the following persons as heads of service organizations shown against each on probation from the date they assume charge of their duties.

Name	Appointment
(a) U Khin Maung Yi General Manager Myanma Timber Enterprise Ministry of Forestry	Managing Director Myanma Timber Enterprise Ministry of Forestry
(b) Dr Aung Min Deputy Director-General Higher Education Department (Lower Myanmar) Ministry of Education	Rector Institute of Education (Yangon) Higher Education Department (Lower Myanmar) Ministry of Education
(c) Dr Khaing Mye Deputy Director-General Higher Education Department (Lower Myanmar) Ministry of Education	Rector Yangon West University Higher Education Department (Lower Myanmar) Ministry of Education
(d) Professor Dr Than Maung Pro-rector (Academic) University of Traditional Medicine (Mandalay) Traditional Medicine Department Ministry of Health	Rector University of Traditional Medicine (Mandalay) Traditional Medicine Department Ministry of Health

Six killed in US drone strike in northwest Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 16 June—At least six people were killed as two missiles fired by US drones Wednesday night at a vehicle in the Miranshah area of North Waziristan in northwest Pakistan, reported local Urdu TV channel ARY.

This is the third strike launched by US drones on Wednesday in Pakistan's northwest tribal areas which border Afghanistan. Earlier on Wednesday afternoon, US drones fired four missiles at different targets in South Waziristan, killing at least ten people.

Xinhua

A policeman inspects a damaged vehicle at the site of a bomb attack in Kirkuk, 250 km (155 miles) north of Baghdad recently. Two bombs exploded near a bus station in the northern Iraqi city of Kirkuk, killing at least 15 people, security sources said.

INTERNET



Photo taken on 15 June, 2011 shows the crashed helicopter in Mandapul, a suburban area of Assadabad, Afghanistan. "The helicopter crashed at around 10 am local time today. As a result, four foreigners and two Afghans were injured," spokesman for provincial administration, Wasifullah Wasifi, told Xinhua.—XINHUA

Five Iraqi soldiers killed in gunfire attacks

BAGHDAD, 16 June—Five Iraqi soldiers were killed in a spate of gunfire attacks in central and northern Iraq, the police said on Wednesday.

In northern Iraq, gunmen opened fire during the day on a checkpoint in al-Quds neighbourhood in northern the city of Mosul, some 400 km north of Baghdad, killing two soldiers, a source from the police city told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

Also in the north, a mortar round struck an Iraqi army checkpoint in al-Rashad area, just

southwest of the city of Kirkuk, some 250 km north of Baghdad, wounding 10 soldiers, including two officers, a local police source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

Earlier in the day, an Interior Ministry source reported the killing of three soldiers in attacks on their checkpoints by gunmen using silenced weapons in Baghdad.

In addition, two street cleaners were wounded in a roadside bomb explosion in Baghdad's southern District of Doura, the ministry source added.

Later on Wednesday, another roadside bomb ripped through Doura District, wounding four civilians, the source said.

The attacks are part of a wave of violence against Iraq's government officials, security forces and civilians during the past few months.—Xinhua

Six injured in chopper crash in E Afghanistan, Taliban claim responsibility

ASSADABAD, (Afghanistan), 16 June—A helicopter crashed in Kunar Province 185 km east of capital city Kabul on Wednesday, an official said.

"The chopper crashed in Mandapul, a suburban area of provincial capital Assadabad, at around 10 am local time today. As a result, four foreigners and two Afghans were injured," spokesman for provincial administration, Wasifullah Wasifi, told Xinhua.

However, he did not give further details.

The mountainous Kunar Province along the border with Pakistan's tribal areas has been the scene of militancy over the past couple of years.

Helicopters mostly from NATO-led troops often fly over the militancy-hit areas in Afghanistan.

Meantime, Zabihullah Mujahid, who claims to speak for the Taliban outfit in talks with media via telephone from unknown location, claimed the Taliban militants shot down a NATO-led forces chopper, killing all aboard.

Xinhua



An Afghan man looks at bloodstains at the scene of a suicide attack in Kapisa, northeast of Kabul, Afghanistan, on 15 June, 2011.

INTERNET

Five Pakistanis killed in cross-border attack

KHAR, (Pakistan), 16 June—Scores of armed militants crossed the border from Afghanistan on Thursday and stormed a village in Pakistan's tribal belt, killing five civilians, Pakistani officials said.

It was the third such attack reportedly carried out by hundreds of fighters into northwest Pakistan this month, and underscored the porous nature of the border and systemic insecurity posed by militants in both countries.

The militants

targeted Mamoond village in Bajaur District, which borders the Afghan Province of Kunar, despite the presence of Pakistani security checkpoints erected to check Taliban militants.

"Some 250-300 militants targeted civilians in Mamoond. At least five civilians, including two women were killed," local government official

Fazle Akbar told AFP.

Akbar said three women were also wounded in the attack, which took place about 65 kilometres (40 miles) northwest of Khar, the main town in Bajaur.

"We have sent army and paramilitary troops to the area as we got reports that militants are still present there," a security official told AFP.

Internet



People gather near a burning NATO oil tanker near southwest Pakistan's Sibi on 15 June, 2011. At least one driver was injured following an attack on two NATO oil tankers by unknown gunmen.—XINHUA

Xinhua

US army helicopter fires on militants in southern Iraq

BAGHDAD, 16 June—US army helicopter opened fire on suspected militants after they fired rockets on Basra airport in southern Iraq, killing a suspect and wounding two, the US military said on Thursday.

The incident took place early on Wednesday morning when a US military base stationed in the airport came under barrage of seven 107 mm rockets, a military statement said.

A US helicopter team was conducting a routine mission above the area when they received a report about the base attack, the statement said.

The team "viewed two males actively loading and launching the rockets and requested permission to engage", the statement added.

After the US strike, the military altered a team of Iraqi security forces and dispatched them to the site and found three men believed to be responsible for the attack, one of them was killed and the two others were injured, it said.

The incident came as Baghdad and Washington are in debate whether the US troops need to extend the presence of its troops in Iraq beyond the 2011 deadline.

An image grab taken from Iran's Arabic-language TV channel Al-Alam shows the launch of Iran's Rassad-1 satellite into space, putting it in orbit 260 kms (163 miles) above the Earth.

INTERNET



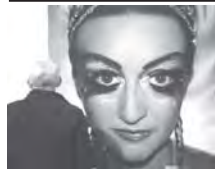
Iran puts "Rasad" satellite in orbit

TEHERAN, 16 June—Iran puts the *Rasad* (surveillance) satellite in the orbit on Wednesday, the state IRIB TV website reported.

The *Rasad* satellite will render images to the country, said the report.

All the procedure of designing, construction, testing and preparations

to launch the satellite have been conducted domestically by Iranian experts, according to IRIB. The *Rasad*, weighs 15.3 kilogrammes and has been designed to be launched at 260 kilometres above the earth, said IRIB, adding that it will circle the earth 15 times in 24 hours.—*Xinhua*



A visitor looks at a portrait during the press preview of 2011's BP Portrait Award exhibition at the National Portrait Gallery in London, Britain, on 15 June, 2011.—XINHUA

UK charges man with four terror-related offenses

LONDON, 16 June—British police say a 25-year-old man has been arrested and charged on four terrorism-related offenses.

Greater Manchester Police say the charges facing Asim Kauser relate to accessing radical or extremist material through the Internet.

Police said Wednesday the alleged offenses took place between January 2009 and June 2011.

Police said Kauser, a British national, was arrested at his home on 6 June following an operation by the North West Counter Terrorism Unit.

It said Kauser will appear in London's City of Westminster Magistrates' Court on Thursday.

Internet

Malaysia couple charged in Indonesian maid's death

KUALA LUMPUR, 16 June—A Malaysian couple has been charged with the murder of the family's 26-year-old Indonesian maid, a lawyer said Thursday, in the country's latest case of alleged abuse against foreign workers. Indonesia recently promised to lift a 2009 ban on sending maids to Malaysia after the neighbours inked a new deal for better working conditions to curb abuse and torture.

Lawyer Guok Ngek Seong said Fong Kong Meng, 55, and his wife, Teoh Ching Yen, 53, were charged Wednesday in a magistrate's court with killing their maid, Isti Komariyah.

Guok, who is representing Fong, said Isti had worked for the couple since July 2010. The court set 18 July for a mention of the case, which is expected to be transferred to the high court, he said, declining to give further details.

The *New Straits Times* newspaper said Isti, who had bruises and scratch marks on her body and forehead, was declared dead on arrival at a hospital 5 June. Indonesian Embassy officials have said they are keeping a close watch on the case.

Internet

CIA website goes down, hackers claim responsibility

BOSTON, 16 June—The public website of the Central Intelligence Agency went down on Wednesday evening as the hacker group Lulz Security said it had launched an attack.

Lulz Security has claimed responsibility for recent attacks on the Senate, Sony Corp, News Corp and the US Public Broadcasting System television network.

The CIA site initially could not be accessed from New York to San Francisco, and Bangalore to London. Later in the evening service was sporadic.

"We are looking into these reports," a CIA spokeswoman said.

Lulz Security has defaced websites, posted personal information about customers and site administrators, and disclosed the network configurations of some sites.

Security analysts have downplayed the significance of these attacks, saying the hackers are just looking to show off and get as

much attention as possible.

In the case of the CIA attack, hackers would not be able to access sensitive data by breaking into the agency's public website, said Jeffrey Carr, author of the book *Inside Cyber Warfare: Mapping the Cyber Underworld*.

Reuters

At least 41 Malaysian gov't websites disrupted on hacking attacks

KUALA LUMPUR, 16 June—At least 41 Malaysia's governmental websites have been attacked and defaced by an unknown hackers' group, named itself "Anonymous", said an official.

Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission (MCMC), the country's internet regulator, said in a statement here on Thursday that the attacks started at approximately 11:30 pm local time on Wednesday night and 51 government websites had been attacked in which at least 41 ones were disrupted at various levels. It said that the situation turned to a reduced level of attacks by 4:00 am local time on Thursday and upon further evaluation, so far there has been little impact on Malaysian users as a result of this attack. Many of the websites have already been recovered and it would not take long for an overall recovery, it added.—*Xinhua*

UNSG's Message on World Day to Combat Desertification

17 June 2011

The people who live in the arid lands, which occupy more than 40 percent of our planet's land area, are among the world's poorest and most vulnerable to hunger. Frequently, they depend on land that is degraded and where productivity has shrunk to below subsistence levels. In the world's efforts to meet the Millennium Development Goals, the challenges facing these "forgotten billion" men, women and children deserve special attention.

This year's observance of the World Day to Combat Desertification falls during the 2011 International Year of Forests, declared by the United Nations General Assembly to educate the global community about the value of forests and the extreme social, economic and environmental costs of losing them. This effort is particularly relevant for drylands, where dry forests and scrubland provide the backbone of arid ecosystems.

Forty-two per cent of the Earth's tropical and subtropical forests are dry forests. Unsustainable land management and agriculture are a significant cause of their depletion – and of the land degradation and desertification that inevitably follow. Sadly, it is only after these ecosystems are compromised that many communities or authorities become fully awakened to the importance of dry forests to society's well-being and prosperity.

The management, conservation and sustainable development of dry forests are central to combating desertification. The ongoing greening of the Sahel and other success stories around the world show that degraded lands can be reclaimed by agroforestry and other sustainable practices. We need to scale up these interventions and disseminate their results widely.

We also need to reward those who make drylands productive, so they will prosper and others will seek to emulate their example. Resources currently under development under the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change – such as REDD Plus and the Green Climate Fund – can go a long way towards improving the resilience of dryland populations, who stand to be affected first and worst by climate change. Too often, investing in drylands has been seen as unproductive or risky, instead of a necessary avenue for improving the well-being of local communities and national economies. Our challenge is to change market perceptions so drylands cease to be investment deserts.

This September, the General Assembly will convene a High-level Meeting on Desertification, Land Degradation and Drought on the eve of the 66th session of the General Assembly. Next year, world leaders will attend the Rio+20 United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development. I urge governments and their partners to use these events to bring greater focus to the quest for solutions to this urgent challenge of sustainable development.

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A view shows Russia's Kamchatka peninsula during the "Grandmaket" exhibition, displaying the models of Russian cityscapes and landscapes, on the Day of Russia in

St Petersburg on 12 June, 2011.—INTERNET



Health



Weighing cancer risks, from cellphones to coffee



A unidentified man uses a cell phone in Oakland, Calif, on 14 June, 2011.

Despite all the recent news about possible cancer risks from cellphones, coffee, styrene and formaldehyde in building materials, most people face little if any danger from these things, health experts say.—INTERNET

NEW YORK, 16 June—You're sitting in a freshly drywalled house, drinking coffee from a plastic foam cup and talking on a cellphone. Which of these is most likely to be a cancer risk?

It might be the sitting, especially if you do that a lot.

Despite all the recent news about possible cancer risks from cellphones, coffee, styrene, and formaldehyde in

building materials, most of us probably face little if any danger from these things with ordinary use, health experts say. Inactivity and obesity may pose a greater cancer risk than chemicals for some people.

"We are being bombarded" with messages about the dangers posed by common things in our lives, yet most exposures "are not at a level that are going to cause cancer," said Dr Len Lichtenfeld, the American Cancer Society's deputy chief medical officer.

Linda Birnbaum agrees. She is a toxicologist who heads the government agency that just declared styrene, an ingredient in fiberglass boats and Styrofoam, a likely cancer risk.

"Let me put your mind at ease right away about Styrofoam," she said. Levels of styrene that leach from food containers "are hundreds if not thousands of times lower than have occurred in the occupational setting," where the chemical in vapour form poses a possible risk to workers. "In finished products, certainly styrene is not an issue," and exposure to it from riding in a boat "is infinitesimal," she said.

Internet



A person spread olive oil on bread in France. Older people who eat olive oil have a lower risk of stroke than those who do not, suggested a study of more than 7,000 French people that was published Wednesday in the United States.—INTERNET

Olive oil could lower stroke risk

WASHINGTON, 16 June—Older people who eat olive oil have a lower risk of stroke than those who do not, suggested a study of more than 7,000 French people that was published Wednesday in the United States. Researchers at the National Institute of Health and Medical Research in Bordeaux, France followed 7,625 people age 65 and older from three cities — Bordeaux, Dijon and Montpellier — for a period of five years.

During that time, there were 148 strokes. The subjects were divided into groups according to their use of olive oil, ranging from people who did not use it at all to those who used it in dressing, cooking and on bread. When researchers adjusted for factors such as body weight, physical activity and overall diet, they found that the so-called "intensive" olive oil users had a 41 percent lower risk of stroke compared to those who never ate olive oil.—Internet

Malaysia seals drug company over radiation

KUALA LUMPUR, 16 June—Malaysia's nuclear energy regulator has sealed off a pharmaceutical company following a radiation leak earlier this month, a minister said Wednesday. Science, technology and innovation minister Maximus Ongkili told AFP the Atomic Energy Licensing Board (AELB) sealed off the company after four of its employees set off radiation monitors when visiting the AELB's office on 2 June.

"The radiation reading on one of the workers exceeded more than 400 times the normal reading (of 0.5 microsieverts per hour)," he said. Ongkili said the AELB checked the company's premises in central Selangor state on the same day, finding the contamination there at 100 times the normal reading and sealed off the area to "ensure the radiation did not spread and prevent any radioactive particles from leaving the place."—Internet



Business



Honda headquarters is hot for delayed model launch

TOKYO, 16 June—Honda headquarters is sweltering, executives are without ties and reporters are fanning themselves in a scene illustrative of Japan's struggles to conserve electricity after the 11 March earthquake and tsunami sent a nuclear plant into meltdown. Honda Motor Co launched the Fit Shuttle station wagon, which includes hybrid versions, for the Japanese market Thursday, three months later than the initial plan — another sign of the disaster's

devastation.

The 9.0-magnitude quake and tsunami destroyed Honda's parts suppliers, dealers and design facility in northeastern Japan. Still, President Takanobu Ito was relieved the company had come this far. "It was a real tough three months for us," he told reporters, wearing a casual beige jacket but no tie, instead of his usual dark suits. The annual practice of allowing less formal attire for the office called "Cool Biz" is being backed by the Japan in a big way after

the disaster — now dubbed "Super Cool Biz," even encouraging Aloha shirts and shorts. Although no Honda executive was in shorts and their shirts were relatively staid, the nuclear crisis hung like a cloud over the event.

Tokyo-based Honda's invitation to the event one of the first auto launches after 11 March had warned the thermostats will be set at 28 degrees Celsius (82 Fahrenheit), and the executives will be in "Cool Biz" clothing.

Internet



Honda Motor Co President Takanobu Ito, without wearing ties, stands next to the company's new hybrid Fit Shuttle at its headquarters in Tokyo, on 16 June, 2011.

INTERNET

S Korea's retail sales growth slows in May

SEOUL, 16 June—Sales growth at South Korea's major discount outlets and department stores slowed in May due to weak demand for groceries and sports products, a government report showed Thursday.

Total sales at the country's three leading discount outlets, including E-Mart, Lotte Mart and Homeplus, rose 2.4 percent in May from a year earlier, down from a 4.6 percent on-year expansion the previous month, the Ministry of Knowledge Economy said in a statement.

The slower growth was mainly attributable to sluggish demand for groceries, which accounted for 51.4 percent of total sales last month, according to the ministry. Grocery sales grew 4 percent on-year in May, down from a 5.7 percent on-year advance a month earlier. Sales growth of sports-related products eased to 2.7 percent on-year in May from 9.4 percent in April, with clothing sales growth slowing to 0.1 percent last month from 5 percent the previous month.—Xinhua

New Zealand launches financial literacy campaign to help economic renewal

WELLINGTON, 16 June—The New Zealand government Thursday threw its weight behind a campaign to improve the nation's economy by educating the public on personal financial issues.

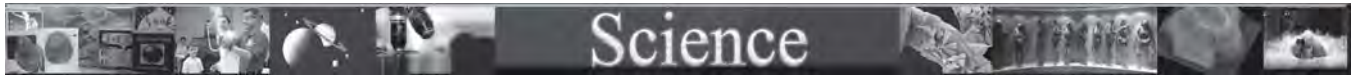
Improving knowledge of personal finances would contribute to a healthier economy based on more savings and less debt, Finance Minister Bill English said.

"Better financial literacy is not only good for the economy, it also helps individual New Zealanders make better decisions about their own personal finances," he said, speaking at the

opening of the New Zealand Centre for Personal Financial Education in Wellington.

"The new centre is consistent with the government's programme to move the economy away from excessive borrowing, consumption and government spending," said English.

"We want to build faster growth based on savings, exports and productive investment. New Zealanders understand that challenge and we're already seeing some early signs of progress, with households saving a bit more and paying down debt."—Xinhua



Japan quake may have caused plate shift



A washed up house stands on the shoreline in Onagawa, Miyagi prefecture in April 2011.

INTERNET

TOKYO, 16 June—Global positioning system data indicated a seismic shift occurred from the 11 March earthquake that devastated northeastern Japan, research indicates.

The 9-magnitude earthquake that shook Japan eased strain from the Japanese trench that had accumulated over hundreds of years, said the report published Wednesday on Nature's Website. The findings support the importance of GPS

observations when assessing future earthquake potential, the authors said.

To better understand the potential of major earthquakes, Shinzaburo Ozawa of the Geospatial Information Authority of Japan and his colleagues used GPS data to assess the megathrust fault off the coast of Japan. Data indicated the coseismic slip area — the ground deformed during the earthquake — stretched about 248 miles along the Japan trench, Ozawa said. Strain on tectonic plates in the region has been higher than normal recently, but the release of the strain during the earthquake partially resolved the issue, Ozawa said.

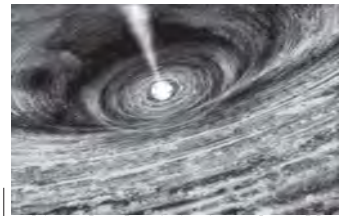
The researchers said the afterslip (slow earthquakes and aftershocks) is spreading into the coseismic slip area, expanding into the surrounding region and going about 62 miles deep, and could be an avenue of release for the remaining strain energy.

Internet

Black holes tell tale of the infant Universe

PARIS, 16 June—Astronomers have detected faint X-ray signals that they believe were emitted by giant black holes billions of years ago when the Universe was a toddler, a study in the journal *Nature* said on Wednesday. The probe looked at more than 250 galaxies, the farthest of which was 13 billion light years from Earth — in other words, emissions that came only 700 million years or so after the "Big Bang" that created the cosmos.

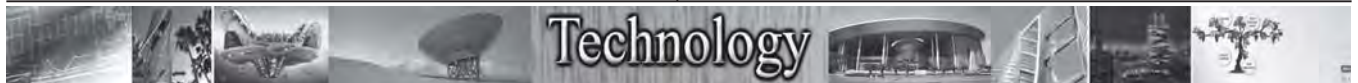
The findings support the theory that super-sized black holes play a dual role of destruction and creation at the heart of galaxies, its authors said. "These observations indicate that extremely massive black holes already existed as early as 700-800 million years after the Big Bang, which suggests that either they were born massive to start with, or they experienced rapid growth bursts," said Yale University cosmologist



This undated artistic view released by the NASA shows a close-up of a supermassive black hole.—INTERNET

Priyamvada Natarajan. "Either scenario tells us much more than we previously knew, which is very exciting."

The black holes were discovered indirectly, thanks to telltale high-energy X-ray signals which escaped through thick clouds of dust and gas in their host galaxies. Ancient black holes have already been spotted in previous research, but this is the first wide-scale tawl to look across a range of galaxies.—Internet



5 e-book readers for less than \$175

NEW YORK, 16 June—When Amazon.com's ground-breaking Kindle e-book reader came out in 2007, it cost \$399. Now, some e-readers, including the most recent Kindle entry, can be had for just north of \$100.

At the price of five or so hardcover books, it's close to impulse-buy territory for many people. And if you give in to your desires, what do you get? Our test of five e-readers priced from \$114 to \$164 finds that cheap, in most cases, means good value.

All five have black-and-white screens that are about half the size of a paperback book. They can connect wirelessly to the Internet for e-book downloads.

I didn't look closely at battery life, because with one exception, they all claim more than a month of use. The company time machine was occupied. Here's the rundown:

Kindle with Special Offers (\$114) is the cheapest Kindle model yet. It's indistinguishable from a device that costs \$25 more, except that it shows advertising as its screen saver and at the foot of the menu. You don't, mercifully, see any advertising when you're reading, and overall the ads didn't feel intrusive. The selection was limited, for the most part, to Oil of Olay, Visa and a car company or two, making us wonder if advertising companies are really sold on Kindle ads.—Internet



The Kobo eReader Touch, an Amazon Kindle, an Aluratek Libre Air, and a Barnes & Noble Nook, left to right, are displayed in this photo, in New York, on 14 June, 2011.—INTERNET

US computer pioneer IBM turns 100

NEW YORK, 16 June—US technology pioneer IBM turns 100 years old on Thursday and while "Big Blue" is no longer the dominant player in the computer industry it remains a force to be reckoned with.

With a market capitalization of \$197 billion, IBM is the world's 14th most valuable technology company, well behind California gadget-maker Apple's \$304 billion but close to software giant Microsoft's \$201 billion.

Thomas Misa, a history of science and

technology professor at the University of Minnesota, credits IBM's longevity to its "mastery of getting information processing power into users' hands in a form that they need and want."

"They did this in the 1930s with punch-card tabulation machines and they are doing the same, essentially, with the post-1993 shift to information services," Misa said.

While its ancestry stretches back to the 19th century, IBM dates its birth to the 16 June, 1911 merger of three firms: the Tabulating Machine Co,



In this 21 Feb, 2000 file photo, a worker installs monitors at the IBM booth at the Cebit fair in Hanover, northern Germany.—INTERNET

the International Time Recording Co and the Computing Scale Co of America.

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Analysis: Computer security attracts venture capitalists

SAN FRANCISCO, 16 June—Silicon Valley venture capitalists are betting big on new technologies to protect computer networks, hoping they will profit from a spate of high-profile cyber attacks on corporate and government bodies.

Many security start-ups are focusing on protection at the network level, rather than individual computers or hardware, spurred by the proliferation of mobile devices and cloud computing trend, where data is stored on the Web.

"It's an area of huge interest to us," said Bill Maris, managing partner for Google Ventures, which earlier this year invested an undisclosed amount



A woman uses a computer in the lounge area of the 27th Chaos Communication Congress (27C3) in Berlin, 27 Dec, 2010.

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in Dasient, a Sunnyvale, California-based company that protects websites from malware attacks.

"It's a really difficult-to-solve problem and there's a lot of opportunity there," he said.—Reuters

Union Minister for Information and for Culture receives Indonesian Ambassador



Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan receives Indonesian Ambassador Mr Sebastianus Sumarsono.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 16 June—Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan received Indonesian Ambassador Mr Sebastianus Sumarsono, at the Ministry of Information on 14 June afternoon.

They discussed promotion of cooperation in information and culture sectors between the two countries, and sending of a delegation to the opening and closing ceremonies of XXVI SEA Games to be held in Indonesia this year.

Also present at the call were Deputy Minister for Information U Soe Win, Deputy Minister for Culture Daw Sanda Khin, departmental heads under the Ministry of Information and the Ministry of Culture.—MNA

Roadwork in Yangon, Ayeyawady regions inspected

NAY PYI TAW, 16 June—Deputy Minister for Construction U Soe Tint yesterday inspected the conditions of Yangon-Pathein Road, Hlinethaya-Twantay Road and Twantay-Kungyangon-Dedaye Road and gave instructions on repairs to

the section between mile post Nos ¾ and 3/6 of Twantay-Kungyangon-Dedaye Road.

He inspected Dedaye-Pyapon Road, preparations for inauguration of Auknet Creek Bridge on Pyapon-Bogale Road Section and Bogale-Setsan-Htaw-paing-

Ahmar Road, and Bogale River crossing Bridge Project on Bogale-Kyeinchang-Kadonkani Road.

He also visited Pyapon-Kyaiklat-Maubin Road Section, and Ayeyawady Bridge (Nyaungdon) construction Project.—MNA

Results of Korean language test on 30 June



A total of 4523 persons sit for Korean language test for Employment Permit System of ROK.—MNA

YANGON, 16 June—Altogether 4523 candidates sat for EPS-TOPIK exam conducted under the employment permit system by HRD-Korea at Yangon East University on 12

June.

The Korean language test was supervised by the Labour Department of the Ministry of Labour for those wishing to work in the Republic of Korea.

Results will come out at the Government Overseas Employment Agency at 8/1 on Nagayon Pagoda Road in Yangon Township, Yangon, on 30 June.—MNA

Union Minister attends upgrading of schools

NAY PYI TAW, 16 June—Union Minister at the President Office Chairman of Nay Pyi Taw Council U Thein Nyunt attended the ceremony to upgrade the school to Basic Education Middle School in Khanaunghtaw Village of Maubin Township on 13 June.

After donating exercise books to 407 students, the Union Minister made a speech.

The Union Minister also attended the ceremony to upgrade the school to BEHS in Chaunggale Village of Pantanaw Township. He donated school uniforms and exercise books to 535 students and teachers.

He met the headmaster in-charge, teachers and students at Zaungdan Village BEHS Branch in Ingapu Township and visited the 25-bed township hospital.

He inspected construction of new building at U Tin Oo Home for the Aged.—MNA



Union Minister U Thein Nyunt attends handing over of new building at BEHS in Chaunggale Village of Pantanaw Township.
MNA

Dy Health Minister inspects hospitals

NAY PYI TAW, 16 June — Deputy Minister for Health Dr Daw Myat Myat Ohn Khin joined specialists from Pyapon People's Hospital who were providing treatment to public at Thameintaw village in Pyapon Township in Ayeyawady Region on 10 June.

She donated emergency traditional medicine kits in meeting with health staff in Pyapon District 200-bed People's Hospital and presented certificates of honour to donors of Oxygen Plant Centrox and PSA Oxygen Concentrator of the hospital.—MNA

Two tiger cubs born in Yatanabon Zoological Gardens

YANGON, 16 June—Tigeress Ngwe Khin of the Zoological Gardens (Yatanabon) gave birth to two cubs at 7 pm and at 7.45 pm on 12 May.

The mother initially kept in Zoological Gardens (Yangon) was transferred to Zoological Gardens (Yatanabon) on 7

February 2010 under the programme of animal reproduction and production of pedigree species of wild animals. Her mate is tiger (Kyaw Hein). Normally, the gestation period for a tigeress is from 103 to 110 days. Tigeress Ngwe Khin was pregnant for 104 days. The

cubs are in good health under the care of zookeepers.

Wild animals are now under the threat of extinction due to various reasons. Therefore, zoological gardens are in charge of duties of reproduction of rare and endangered animals.—MNA



Photo shows two tiger cubs.—MNA

Union Defence Minister meets Ukrainian Ambassador



Union Minister for Defence Maj-Gen Hla Min receives Ambassador of Ukraine to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Mr Markian Chuchuk at the Ministry of Defence.
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NAY PYI TAW, 16 June—Union Minister for Defence Maj-Gen Hla Min received Ambassador of Ukraine to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Mr Markian Chuchuk at the Ministry of Defence, here, this morning.

Also present at the call were Deputy Minister for Defence Maj-Gen Kyaw Nyunt and officials.—MNA

Implementation of power lines and sub-power stations discussed

NAY PYI TAW, 16 June—Union Minister for Electric Power No. 2 U Khin Maung Soe received CEO & Chairman Mr Dong Hee Lee and party of Daewoo International Corporation of the Republic of Korea at the ministry, here, yesterday morning.

They discussed cooperation in implementation of power lines and sub-power stations.

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Union Minister for Electric Power No. 2 U Khin Maung Soe receives CEO & Chairman Mr Dong Hee Lee and party of Daewoo International Corporation of the Republic of Korea at the ministry.—MNA

Chief Minister tours Laymyethna, Ingapu Townships

NAY PYI TAW, 15 June—Chief Minister U Thein Aung of Ayeyawady Region on 12 June attended the opening of Aingthabyu Station Hospital (16-bed) in Laymyethna Township.

He also attended the opening ceremony of X-ray machine and X-ray room donated by Myanma Awba Co and the operation theatre by Aunggyi Trading. The Region Chief Minister donated K 200,000 for construction of Kyatkon-Aingthabyu gravel road to locals and visited Mobile Radio Station of Myanma Posts and Telecommunications and the People's Hospital in Laymyethna Township.

In the afternoon, he met departmental officials at Laymyethna Township General Administration Department.—MNA

Union Minister Dr Pe Thet Khin speaks at opening of Field Epidemiology Training Programme (FETP) Course.—MNA



Field Epidemiology Training Programme conducted

NAY PYI TAW, 16 June—Every medical staff member should stay in touch with ways to deal with preventive measures against emerging and re-emerging diseases and build capacity, said Union Minister for Health Dr Pe Thet Khin at the opening of Field Epidemiology Training Programme (FETP) course at the rural health centre in

Hsingyi Village-tract, Patheingyi Township, Mandalay Region, on 12 June.

He inspected Pharmaceutical Chemistry and Food and Water Lab under the Drug Control Section of the Food and Drug Administration Department and the National Health Laboratory in Mandalay Region.

He held a meeting with Sagaing Region Health Minister Dr Myint Thein, the head of Sagaing

Region Department of Health, the medical superintendent and medical staff at Sagaing Region General Hospital (200-bed), and inspected the hospital.

The Union minister visited Myinmu Township General Hospital, ChaungU Township General Hospital and Khatetkan rural health centre and encouraged the medical assistant and midwives giving children polio vaccines at the health centre.—MNA

Culture Ministry holds tree-growing ceremony

NAY PYI TAW, 16 June—The Ministry of Culture held its monsoon tree-growing ceremony for 2011 at its compound here this morning.

Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan planted a teak sapling. Deputy Minister for Information U Soe Win and Deputy Minister for Culture Daw Sanda Khin planted teak saplings, and departmental heads and officials, saplings of teak and wind-breaking trees.



The Union minister and party encouraged staff members growing trees.

At today's ceremony,

3020 saplings were planted. Up to 2010, the ministry has grown 8556 trees.

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Union Minister U Kyaw Hsan plants a teak tree during monsoon season tree planting ceremony of Ministry of Culture.

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Ministry of Rail Transportation honours outstanding students of staff



Union Minister U Aung Min awards a six-distinction winner.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 16 June—Union Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min attended the ceremony to honour outstanding students of staff in the matriculation examination for 2010-2011 academic year at the ministry, here, this morning.

The Union minister handed over prizes for the students who won three and above distinctions to departmental heads. Then, he awarded three six-distinction winners.

Deputy Minister Thura U Thaung Lwin and Deputy Minister U Thant Shin awarded the outstanding students.

A total of 681 students including 155

Union Mines Minister receives Chinese guests

NAY PYI TAW, 16 June—Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik received Chairman Mr Guan Yi of Yunnan De Rui Feng Investment Co Ltd and party of Yunnan Province, the People's Republic of China at the

ministry here today. They discussed matters related to exploration of tin and tungsten, and investment.

Also present at the call were the director-general of Mining Department, the director-

general of Geological Survey and Minerals Exploration Department, the managing director of No. 2 Mining Enterprise, and the managing director of Myanmar Gems Enterprise.

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Union Minister U Thein Htaik receives Chairman of Yunnan De Rui Feng Investment Co Ltd Mr. Guan Yi.—MNA

distinction winners were honoured at the ceremony.

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Taninthayi Region Chief Minister calls on teachers to be admirable ones

NAY PYI TAW, 15 June—Chief Minister of Taninthayi Region U Khin Zaw met the teachers, who are going to attend Special Refresher Course No. 75, at No. 1 Basic Education Middle

School in Dawei today.

The Chief Minister said that opening refresher courses aims to widen horizons of teachers who are driving force for education development so as to nurture brilliant new

generations equipped with good character and virtue, that the course to be attended by teachers is basic level for human resource development of basic education sector of the State, and that the State conducts such

courses to polish ability of teachers more than they had before.

He called them for learning the subjects of Central Institute Civil Service with a vengeance to be admirable ones who can stand as epitomes of the Region.

He then provided cash assistance for the teachers.—MNA



Taninthayi Region Chief Minister U Khin Zaw presents cash assistance to teachers who will attend special refresher course for teachers.—MNA

The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is now.

Flights resume in Argentina after 10-day volcanic ash chaos

BUENOS AIRES, 16 June—All international and domestic flights from Argentina's Capital on Wednesday resumed normal schedules after 10 days of chaos due to the ashes caused by the eruption of the Puyehue Volcano in neighbouring Chile, officials said.

The national Aerolineas Argentinas, Austral and Chile's LAN airline group all returned to normal flight schedules out of the Buenos Aires Ezeiza International Airport and the Jorge Newbery Metropolitan Airport, which mostly is

used for domestic and regional flights. LAN started to normalize operations since 8:30 am local time (1130 GMT) but were still reporting some delays on flights to and from both airports, while Aerolineas Argentinas and Austral airlines resumed flights at 11:30 am (1430 GMT), airline officials told *Xinhua*. Aerolineas Argentinas resumed international flights to Mexico City, Miami and Madrid, and said an extra flight is scheduled to Miami Wednesday afternoon to start to

normalize the travels for over 1,000 passengers who were stranded since



the Puyehue Volcano on 4 June erupted for the first time since 1960.

Over 1,600 flights have been delayed or canceled throughout the

A plane takes off from Jorge Newbery airport in Buenos Aires, capital of Argentina on 15 June, 2011.
XINHUA

past 10 days because the volcanic ashes from Puyehue caused safety risks in the airspace across all the southern part of South America.—*Xinhua*

Exposure to low levels of antibiotics turns E coli bug more drug resistant

WASHINGTON, 16 June—Scientists have found that E coli bacteria are more likely to develop antibiotic resistance when exposed to low level of antibiotics than to high concentrations that would kill the bacteria or inhibit their growth.

E coli bacteria in food and water supplies have been responsible for disease outbreaks and deaths around the world in recent years.

The current outbreak in Europe has sickened

thousands of individuals and caused multiple deaths and life-threatening complications in hundreds of persons infected with a new strain of E coli. Bacterial resistance to commonly prescribed antibiotics is an enormous and growing problem, largely due to misuse of antibiotics to treat non-bacterial infections and environmental exposure of the bacteria to low levels of antibiotics used, for example, in agriculture. In the new study, the authors studied the mechanisms by which E coli acquire resistance to three common antibiotics: amoxicillin, tetracycline, and enrofloxacin.

They found that exposure to antibiotics at relatively low levels—below those needed to inhibit growth of the bacteria—are more likely to result in the development of antibiotic resistance.

"Exposure to low levels of antibiotics therefore clearly poses most risk," concluded the authors.

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The marine patrol vessel "Haixun-31" set off at the Gaolan port in Zhuhai, south China's Guangdong Province, on 15 June, 2011. The vessel, with a Chinese maritime delegation aboard, set off on Wednesday to Singapore for a two-week visit.—XINHUA

Man sues FBI for wrongful search

PITTSBURGH, 16 June—A Bellevue, Pa, man is suing a dozen FBI agents for allegedly violating his constitutional rights, authorities say.

Gary Adams filed the lawsuit Tuesday allegedly the federal agents violated his and his family's Fourth Amendment right to be free from unlawful search and seizure, and Fifth Amendment right to life, liberty and property, the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* reported.

The lawsuit comes after his home was searched 3 March by agents looking for a previous resident of what is currently the Adamses' home. The agents were looking for Sondra Hunter, one of 29 people charged with being part of a drug gang, the newspaper said. Hunter lived at the property, but left months before the Adamses moved in. The agents had an arrest warrant, but no warrant to search the premises.

The agents "battered down the door to his home and, armed with assault rifles, stormed into his house 3 March in a misguided attempt to serve an arrest warrant on a person who was not related to or who had ever resided with" said Pittsburgh attorney Timothy P O'Brien, representing the family.

The complaint was filed by 11 family members and names 12 FBI agents.—*Internet*

Boeing to build 10 C-17 airlifters for India

WASHINGTON, 16 June—Boeing said Wednesday that India's defence ministry has signed an agreement with the US government to buy 10 *Boeing C-17* transports, making India the plane's largest international customer.

Boeing said that under the deal, India will take delivery of its *C-17 Globemaster III* airlifters in 2013 and 2014. The US aerospace giant's announcement followed unofficial news earlier this month that the big sale, approved by the US Congress in May 2010, was in the pipeline.

The biggest defence deal in history between the two nuclear powers "will elevate India's leadership in the region," Dinesh Keskar, president of Boeing India, said in the statement.



A Boeing C-17 flies during the Paris Air Show in 2005.

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"With its tactical and strategic capabilities, the C-17 fulfills India's needs for military and humanitarian airlift," Keskar said. "The important transaction reaffirms our close relationship of several decades with India and also highlights our commitment to the strategic partnership between the two countries."—*Internet*

Photo taken on 15 June, 2011 shows road surface of Hangxinjing Highway caves in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province. The collapse extends 80 meters with width of 7-8 metres, forcing the highway to close. No casualties were reported.—XINHUA



Now, a safety device that protects bicycle riders by projecting laser image on road

LONDON, 16 June—A UK student has invented a unique safety device that projects a bright green laser image of a bicycle on to the road ahead, alerting motorists to its presence.

Emily Brooke, a Brighton University student, has developed 'BLAZE', which is a small, battery-powered device that is attached to the handlebars of bicycles, motorcycles or scooters, and projects a laser image on to the road ahead, *The Age* reports.

The bright green bicycle symbol travels ahead of the cyclist, alerting others to its presence.

The image can be flashing to make it more visible and can be seen even in daylight.

Brooke's invention is being hailed as a

potential life saver and has won her a place at a prestigious college in the USA, on an entrepreneurship programme.

"I wanted to tackle the issue of safety of cyclists on city streets by increasing the visibility, footprint, and ultimately the awareness of the bicycle," said Brooke.

"With BLAZE, you see the bike before the cyclist and I believe this could really make a difference in the key scenarios threatening cyclists' lives on the roads," she added.

Internet

Bored teenager pegs puppy up on washing line

LONDON, 16 June—A Filipino teenager pegged his puppy on a clothes line and posted pictures of the helpless animal on Facebook, a media report said Wednesday.

Jerzon Senador, from Calamba, Laguna, is likely to face animal cruelty charges after deciding to carry out the stunt because he was bored, the *Daily Mail* reported.

The teenager suspended the struggling puppy from the skin on its back as he took photographs from different angles.

He later took the images down and issued a public apology after he was swamped with angry messages from internet users, according to the *Mail*.

Over 3,000 Facebook members joined a campaign group calling for him to be prosecuted. Animal lovers also took to Twitter to voice their outrage at the stunt, it said.—*Internet*



Indians buy fuel at a petrol station in Calcutta, India, on 15 June, 2011. Indian inflation rebounded to 9.06 percent in May from 8.66 percent in the previous month due to pricier fuel prices, according to a press statement by India's Ministry of Commerce and Industry Tuesday.
XINHUA



An undated composite montage image of laser scan data and construction data released by the Tokyo Electric Power Co(TEPCO) 14 June, 2011 shows the damaged No 1 reactor of Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power plant with a giant cover shield.—XINHUA

US husband kills wife for disturbing his sleep

LONDON, 16 June—A husband has been arrested after he murdered his wife because she kept disturbing his sleep at their home in Vernon Hills, Illinois. Ronald Stolberg is alleged to have suffocated his 54-year-old wife Rachel after she woke him up several times during the night.

Prosecutors said that Stolberg held his wife

face down on the ground with such force that she suffocated.

"He pushed her so hard her teeth bit into her lips," the *Daily Mail* quoted Steve Scheller, Lake County State's Attorney, as saying.

The 47-year-old convict had gone back to sleep while his wife's body lay on the floor next to the bed.

Prosecutors said that he got up in the morning and noticed that his wife's hands were blue, but continued with his daily routine and went to work.

According to Scheller, after Stolberg returned from work he called his mother and waited for her to arrive and then told her his wife was dead.—*Internet*

Laptop with over eight mil medical records missing

LONDON, 16 June—A laptop containing more than eight million medical records of patients has gone missing from a research building in a biggest-ever security breach of its kind in Britain, a media report said Wednesday.

The computer vanished from the National Health Service (NHS) building three weeks ago but it has only just been reported to police, *The Sun* reported.

The unencrypted laptop contains sensitive details of 8.63 million people plus records of 18 million hospital visits, operations and procedures, the report said.

The data does not include names but patients could be identified from postcodes and details such as gender, age and ethnic origin, it said.

The computer was one of 20 lost from a store room at London Health Programmes, a medical research organization based at the NHS North Central London health authority, *The Sun* said. Eight have been recovered but a search is still being carried out for the other 12. The records include details of cancer, HIV, mental illness and abortions. A source said: "This laptop would be a devastating tool in the hands of a blackmailer."

Internet



Villagers repair the river levee damaged by flood in Liyu Village, Hetang Township of Lianyuan City, central China's Hunan Province, on 15 June, 2011. A large rainstorm hit Lianyuan from Tuesday night, causing flood in all the 20 townships in Lianyuan.—XINHUA



Guard shoots off finger with shotgun to remove wart

LONDON, 16 June—A security guard in Britain shot off his own finger with a shotgun to remove a wart, a media report said Wednesday.

Sean Murphy, 38, from Doncaster, had tried a variety of traditional ointments and creams. But when the persistent wart refused to disappear, he opted for the firepower of a 12-bore Beretta

shotgun, *Daily Mail* reported.

He claimed he found the shotgun under a hedge a few months earlier. His technique successfully removed the wart - along with most of the middle finger of his left hand.

The solution also landed Murphy in court this week for illegal possession of a firearm, the *Mail* said.

He received a suspended 16-week prison sentence from the Doncaster Magistrates' Court.

"I know I could have gone to jail for up to 15 years for a firearms offence. My solicitor did a very good job. The best thing is that the wart has gone. It was giving me a lot of trouble," the *Mail* quoted him as saying.

Murphy was employed as a security officer at Markham Grange Nurseries in Doncaster at the time of the incident in March, but has since lost his job, the *Mail* said.—*Internet*

US scraps missile defence plan for Czech Republic

WARSAW, 16 June—The US has abandoned plans to deploy a missile early warning centre as part of a European missile defence system in the Czech Republic, a media report said Wednesday. "The Czech Republic will look for other options to participate in the project," Defence Minister Alexandr Vondra was quoted as saying by CTK news agency after his meeting with US Deputy Defence Secretary William

Linn. The centre was to replace a radar facility planned by the former US administration under president George Bush. The Barack Obama administration scrapped the plan in 2009 and opted for a missile early warning centre instead.

Vondra said last week that Prague did not want a mere "consolation prize" from the US to make up for the scrapping of the original plans.

Russia is opposed to the US plans to deploy missile defence systems near its borders, claiming they would be a security threat. The US is reluctant to provide legally binding guarantees that the system will not be directed against Russia.—*Internet*

A portion of the moon crosses into the earth's shadow is seen over Peshawar, northwest Pakistan, on 16 June, 2011 of local time. The total lunar eclipse is visible in some parts of the world.—XINHUA

The Republic of The Union of Myanmar**Nay Pyi Taw Council
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TENDER INVITATION

Myanma Ceramic Industries, Ministry of Industry (1), is intended the Cold Repair of existing Sheet Glass Factory of 30 tons per day at Sheet Glass Factory, Patheingyi, Ayeeyawady Division, the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

Tenders are invited refractory and machinery supply, including supervision for erection, commissioning. The details can be obtained from the following contact office commencing from 21st June 2011.

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Tel: 067-408296, 408160
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Tender Closing Date: 5th August, 2011 (Friday)

**Sleep position during pregnancy
'link to still-birth'**

LONDON, 16 June—Experts want urgent research to see if the position a woman chooses to sleep in during late pregnancy affects still-birth risk, as a study suggests a link. The University of Auckland compared 155 women who had late still-births with 310 who had healthy pregnancies. Sleeping on the back or right side, rather than the left, doubled the risk—but only to almost four in 1,000. Left-side lying aids blood flow to the baby, as the mother's major blood vessels are unimpeded by a heavy womb.

The New Zealand study, published in the *British Medical Journal*, called for larger studies to test the findings. Ms Dagbani Rajasingam of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists said: "There are many factors which are linked to still-birth including obesity, increasing maternal age, ethnic-



Even among the women surveyed who lay on their right, the risk remained extremely small.

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ity, congenital anomalies and placental conditions. A significant number are unexplained.

"This small-scale study looks at another possible factor. However, more research is needed into sleep patterns before any firm conclusions over sleeping positions can be made. "In the meantime, women should speak to their midwives if they are concerned." The UK has one of the highest still-birth rates in the developed world. Every year here 4,000 babies are still-born. A third of still-births have no clear cause.

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**GPS leads
women into
water**

BELLEVUE, 16 June —A trio of Washington state women said they were lucky to escape injury when their GPS device directed them to drive into the water.

The women said they were driving in Bellevue when the GPS instructed them to make a U-turn that took them down a boat ramp and into Mercer Slough, KIRO-TV, Seattle, reported on Wednesday.

The women, who were visiting from out of town, received a ride back to the hotel from firefighters.

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Skeletons covered by the eruption of Vesuvius have been studied intensively.—INTERNET

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC**OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR****THE MINISTRY OF MINES****MYANMAR EMPORIUM CENTRAL COMMITTEE**

Nay Pyi Taw 1373 waning day of Na Yone (1)

2011 June (17)

1. Myanmar Emporium Central Committee with be held the Jade Gem and Pearl Special Sale July 2011 at the Maniradana jade emporium hall in Naypyitaw from 1st July to 13th July. Myanmar citizen gem entrepreneurs who got permit and had been producing precious stones in accordance with the gem stone Law of Myanmar and Myanmar citizen gem merchants who got license and had been carrying out the business of precious stones in accordance with the gem stone Law of Myanmar will be permitted in participating and be purchasing at the Jade, Gem and Pearl Special Sale July 2011 in compliance with the specified terms.
2. Myanmar citizen merchants who are interested in purchasing at the Jade, Gem and Pearl Special Sale July 2011 are informed to be contacted to the administration sub committee office that had been opened at the Myanma Gems Enterprise (Head office) Naypyitaw from 1st June to 30th June 2011.

EMPORIUM CENTRAL COMMITTEE

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**MV WEST SCENT VOY NO (11010)**

Consignees of cargo carried on MV WEST SCENT VOY NO (11010) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 17.6.2011 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.

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

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

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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**MV MILLENNIUM VOY NO ()**

Consignees of cargo carried on MV MILLENNIUM VOY NO () are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 17.6.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of S.P.W(4) where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

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**Herculaneum sewer sheds
light on secrets of Roman life**

LONDON, 16 June—Archaeologists have been discovering how Romans lived 2,000 years ago, by studying what they left behind in their sewers. A team of experts has been sifting through hundreds of sacks of human excrement. They found a variety of details about their diet and their illnesses. This unconventional journey into the past took the team down into an ancient sewer below the town of Herculaneum.—Internet



Visitors watch mini cars at an exhibition in Hong Kong, south China, on 15 June, 2011. The 2011 Classic Mini Cooper Charity Exhibition opened on Wednesday in Hong Kong, displaying 15 mini cars produced between 1963 and 2000, including some limited editions and some making first appearance at a public exhibition.

News Album

Street closed due to bee swarm

New York police said they had to divert traffic from a Chinatown street when approximately 15,000 bees swarmed the area.

Police said they closed Mott Street between Bayard and Pell Monday and the road was reopened at about 5 pm after a police department beekeeper captured the insects, the *New York Daily News* reported Tuesday.

The department said the swarm was only the latest in a recent string of bee incidents in the city. Police said a mailbox in the Little Italy neighborhood was swarmed about two weeks ago and a second swarm was spotted around a Washington Heights fire escape a few days later.

Elderly woman uses AIDS threat to rob Colorado bank

A woman robbed a Colorado bank by passing a note saying she would infect a teller with AIDS if the clerk didn't hand over money, police said.

Jeff Satur, spokesman for the Longmont, Colorado police department, said detectives are searching for a pale woman between the ages of 55 and 75 with a "boney build."

Satur said a woman, who was wearing a train conductor's cap and a gray sweat shirt, walked into a Wells Fargo bank inside a Safeway grocery store on Thursday night and handed a note to a teller.

"She indicated she had AIDS and would give it to a teller if she didn't cooperate," Satur said. The woman coughed frequently into

a blue bandana during the robbery, and fled with an undisclosed amount of cash, Satur said.

Police and the FBI released still photographs of the robbery and are reviewing additional photographs and surveillance video from the bank's parking lot to try and identify the suspect.

Wrong team: Paper runs ad touting Miami Heat win

The Dallas Mavericks' win over the Heat is a huge upset for fans in Miami. Making matters worse, an ad in the local paper has mistakenly congratulated the Heat on winning.

A full-page ad that ran in Monday's *Miami Herald* reads "Congratulations Miami" next to photos of Heat championship T-shirts and hats from Macy's. One T-shirt reads "Heat 2011 NBA Finals Champions" and the ad shows the Heat's logo on a hat with the words "NBA Champions."

The ad ran under a story about the Heat's loss.

The newspaper has issued a correction and apologized for any inconvenience. A Macy's spokeswoman called it an unfortunate error and apologized to Heat fans.

The Mavericks beat the Heat 105-95 in game six of the NBA finals on Sunday in Miami.



Animatronic dinosaur is seen in this photo taken on 15 June. From 1st July 2011 to the 8th October 2011 there is a going to be a dinosaur exhibit at Chester Zoo, England.

Shakira launches second fragrance



Colombian singer Shakira

LONDON, 16 June—Colombian singer Shakira, who last year

released her debut fragrance "S by Shakira", has launched her second perfume.

"I wanted to find a way to express the feeling of pure happiness through the medium of fragrance," femalefirst.co.uk quoted her as saying.

She described her

second fragrance - S by Shakira Eau Florale - as a modern floral scent with optimistic energy and full of feminine sensuality.

Shakira has created the perfume with the help of expert perfumer Elisabeth Vidal.

Internet



Emma Watson

I have lived in a complete bubble since 'Harry Potter', says Emma Watson

WASHINGTON, 16 June—Emma Watson has confessed in an interview that she has lived in a "complete bubble" since she first appeared in "Harry Potter" at the age of 11.

The star also admitted that she has "no control" over her life and is "desperately trying" to find more normality.

"I have had no control over my life. I have lived in a complete bubble. They found me and picked me for the part. And now I'm desperately trying to find my way through it," Contactmusic quoted her as telling *US Vogue* magazine.

The 21-year-old beauty, who recently dropped out of Brown University to concentrate on her career, also revealed she felt like a "pain in the butt" for film-makers Warner Brothers because she was constantly striving to get an education.—*Internet*

'Pirates' star Naomie Harris tipped to be next Bond Babe!

LONDON, 16 June—Naomie Harris is most likely to be the next Bond girl, as the actress confirmed that she is in



Naomie Harris

talks with the filmmakers deciding the cast of the next '007' movie.

"Nothing is confirmed, but I would love to be part of the Bond movies," *Sky News* quoted the 'Pirates Of The Caribbean' star as saying.

"What makes them work is that they are responsive to the times," she added.

If the 34-year-old bags the role, she would star alongside James Bond star Daniel Craig.

Harris, who starred in '28 Days Later,' admitted that she had no issues with a Bond girl role, but said she didn't approve of stripping unnecessarily.

"Eva Green's character in Casino Royale was not scantily clad. She was an intelligent, strong, modern woman," she supported her views.

"I'm very anti the pressure that is put on women to take their clothes off," she added.

Internet



Denise Richards

Divorce was the worst: Denise Richards

LONDON, 16 June—Actress Denise Richards says she and actor Charlie Sheen went through "one of the worst divorces". Richards and Sheen, who have two daughters, Lola, 6, and Sammy, 7, together, ended their marriage in 2006 and although the actress says they once shared a "beautiful love story", she also admits it all descended into bitterness at the end. Explaining her decision to write a memoir, which is being released next month, the 40-year-old said she wanted to reveal what it was like to "struggle" through the divorce. "People have only gotten the rotten stuff so, you know, there was a beautiful love story between he and I and I know that it went the way it went, but I talk more about how I felt during that time because I feel like a lot of women can relate to that, going through a divorce and custody and being a single parent and trying to work and all of that stuff," femalefirst.co.uk quoted Richards as saying.—*Internet*

Hamilton: Daring, not dangerous — a big difference

PARIS, 16 June — Administered last rites after his fiery crash in 1976, Niki Lauda will always be more qualified than most to talk about the dangers of motor-racing. His scars are permanent reminders of how close he came to giving his life to the sport. Still, on the subject of whether Lewis Hamilton represents a menace to himself and to others, the three-time Formula One world champion is wrong.

"You can't drive like that, someone can die," Lauda reportedly said after the 2008 champion again played bumper-cars with his sleek McLaren, this time at last weekend's epic Canadian Grand Prix. "At some point, it's not funny anymore," the German TV broadcaster he now commentates for quoted Lauda as saying.

Well, Mr. Lauda, you're right that taking silly risks at nearly 125 miles per hour is no laughing matter. But there is a big difference being daring and being dangerous. It is to the good of Formula One that Hamilton is one of the most daring drivers out there. The Briton at least tries to provide spectacle in a sport that can't thrive without it.—*Internet*



Formula One driver Lewis Hamilton

Chelsea say they will name coach within two weeks



KUALA LUMPUR, 16 June — Chelsea's chief executive said on Wednesday the English Premier League club would name a new coach within two weeks and was looking to buy at least two players ahead of the new season.

Ron Gourlay said the team were close to announcing a new manager following the sacking of Carlo Ancelotti after the club's poor performance last season. "The process

is moving along very well. We would look to have a new coach in place maybe within a week, two weeks," Gourlay told reporters in Kuala Lumpur.

"We are certainly working to a week, two weeks. But it could be sooner," he said. Blues captain John Terry has backed former Chelsea striker Mark Hughes or Turkey coach Guus Hiddink to take charge at Stamford Bridge. But Gourlay, in Kuala Lumpur to launch a football training programme ahead of the Blues' visit next month, would not reveal who was in the running.—*Internet*

Fabregas quiet about Barca 'move'

MADRID, 16 June — Arsenal skipper Cesc Fabregas avoided discussing speculation over his possible return to Barcelona when he attended a ceremony in Madrid Wednesday, insisting he remains "an Arsenal player". "If sometime I have to move from Arsenal I will say so when it happens, without disrespecting the club that has given me so much, but right now I'm an Arsenal player and I'm very happy there," Fabregas said during the presentation of some perfumes in Madrid.

"I'm very happy to be where I am, otherwise it would mislead people and lead to speculation," he



Arsenal skipper Cesc Fabregas

said, but admitted he was unhappy at Arsenal's lack of silverware in recent years. "Yes, I'm frustrated at not winning titles, I've always wanted to win and not winning always hurts more when you've given so much." Spanish media has said recently that Gunners coach Arsene Wenger has abandoned efforts to hold on to Fabregas who could be set for a return to Spanish giants Barcelona.

Internet

Leonardo set to leave Inter for PSG

PARIS, 16 June — Inter Milan coach Leonardo is set to be appointed sporting director of one of his former clubs, French giants Paris Saint-Germain, according to a source close to the ongoing discussions. The source told AFP that confirmation of Leonardo's appointment would come by the end of the week.

According to several French and Italian newspapers, the 41-year-old former AC Milan coach flew to Qatar last weekend to meet the new own-

ers of PSG to negotiate terms over the post. Leonardo's arrival would be the first stage in a complete overhaul of PSG since a Qatari investment company acquired a 70 percent majority shareholding in the club at the end of May.

Internet



Inter Milan coach Leonardo

Giggs sues News of the World over hacking scandal

LONDON, 16 June — Manchester United great Ryan Giggs became the latest celebrity to take legal action against the News of the World over allegedly hacking into his mobile phone, his lawyer announced on Wednesday. The 37-year-old — who it was revealed last month by a British lawmaker was the married footballer who won a court



Manchester United great Ryan Giggs

injunction to keep details of an alleged affair secret — believes he is one of those whose phone was hacked into between 2005 and 2006.

The London Met Police are presently heading up an investigation into the claims. In April, Giggs's team mate Wayne Rooney said he had been contacted by detectives involved in the investigation. In 2007, the first police investigation led to the convictions and imprisonment of then News of the World royal editor Clive Goodman and private investigator Glenn Mulcaire, who was employed by the paper.

Internet

US beats Guadeloupe to advance in Gold Cup

KANSAS CITY, 16 June — The United States is marching on in the Gold Cup. It sure wasn't easy. Jozy Altidore scored in the ninth minute off an assist from Michael Bradley, and the US hung on to beat Guadeloupe 1-0 on Tuesday night and reach the tournament quarterfinals after a loss earlier in the group stage to Panama.

"With group play, you've got to deal with each game and find a way to advance," coach Bob Bradley said. "We're pretty hard on ourselves because we weren't satisfied with our performance against Panama, but there are things that bring a team together."

Panama won Group C with help from its 2-1 victory over the Americans, who pushed through as the second-place team. They'll face Group B winner Jamaica on

Sunday in Washington, DC. The US finish broke a string of 10 straight first-place results in group play.—*Internet*



Guadeloupe midfielder Thomas Gamiette (12) and USA midfielder Jermaine Jones (13) battle for the ball during a Gold Cup soccer match in Kansas City, Kan, on Tuesday.

INTERNET

US Open a tough test without being hard

BETHESDA, 16 June — Golf's second major championship of the year seems to have a new name. It's the US Wide Open.

Only a small part of that is because of Tiger Woods.

He's not at Congressional because of injuries to his left leg, and he has been missing from the top of leaderboards for more than a year.

This is the first US Open since 1999 that Woods is not No 1 in the world.

The top two players in the world ranking are Luke Donald and Lee Westwood, neither of whom has won a major.

Parity has returned to golf so much so that 10 players have won the last 10 majors, and the last three major champions are still in their 20s.

Internet



Injured Tiger Woods, fired off a Twitter message on the eve of the US Open, the best he could do after nagging left knee and Achilles tendon injuries forced him to withdraw last week.

INTERNET

Serena comeback ended by Zvonareva



Russia's Vera Zvonareva

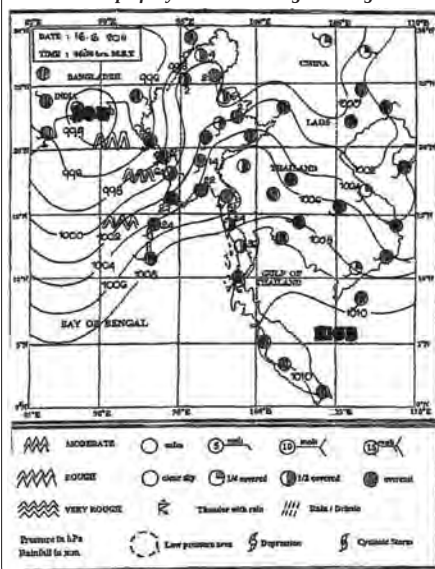
EASTBOURNE, 16 June — Serena Williams hit the wall in her career comeback at Eastbourne on Wednesday after only one victory, with top seed Vera Zvonareva sending the American back to the practice courts. The Russian's 3-6, 7-6 (7/5), 7-5 three-hour triumph was revenge for the Wimbledon final a year ago won by Williams, now ranked 26th after

nearly a year out of the game. Williams was appearing at Eastbourne for the first time after two operations on a foot she cut after last year's Wimbledon followed by further surgery in February to remove blood clots from her lungs.

"It was a good two matches for me," said Williams. "I couldn't be happier with the amount of tennis that I've played. 'I haven't played in almost a year, so I'm a little sore. Grass always gets you a little sore. It's good I'm sore now, because hopefully next week I won't be as sore.'"

Internet

S P O R T S

WEATHER**Thursday, 16th 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 have been isolated in Lower Sagaing Region, scattered in Kayah State, fairly widespread in Mandalay and Magway Regions, Kayin State and widespread in the remaining Regions and States with regionally heavyfalls in Rakhine and Mon States and isolated heavyfalls in Ayeyawady Region and Chin State. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Taungup (4.49) inches, MraukU (4.29) inches, Kyeikkhame (4.06) inches, Maungdaw and Kyeikmaraw (3.70) inches each, Paung (3.60) inches, Sittway (3.58) inches, Kyauktaw (3.54) inches, Paletwa and Chaungzon (3.50) inches each.

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 15-6-2011 was 90°F. Minimum temperature on 16-6-2011 was 75°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 16-6-2011 was (84%). Rainfall on 16-6-2011 was (0.20) inch.

Nay Pyi Taw (Airport)

Maximum temperature on 15-6-2011 was 86°F. Minimum temperature on 16-6-2011 was 74°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 16-6-2011 was (100%). Rainfall on 16-6-2011 was (0.35) inch.

Rainfall on 16-6-2011 was (0.20) inch at Nay Pyi Taw, (3.90) inches at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) and (Tr) at Mandalay. Total rainfall since 1-1-2011 was (16.26) inches at Nay Pyi Taw, (33.82) inches at Yangon

(Kaba-Aye) and (13.39) inches at Mandalay. Maximum wind speed at Nay Pyi Taw was (18) mph from Southwest at (00:30) hours MST on 16-6-2011.

Bay Inference: Monsoon is vigorous in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 17th June

2011: Rain will be isolated to scattered in Lower Sagaing, Mandalay and Magway Regions, Kayah State, fairly widespread in Bago Region, Shan State and widespread in the remaining Regions and States with likelihood of isolated heavyfalls in Yangon and Ayeyawady Regions, Rakhine and Mon States. Degree of certainty is (100%).

State of the Sea: Occasional squalls with rough seas will be experienced off and along Myanmar Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (40) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Strong monsoon.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 17th June 2011: Isolated rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 17th June 2011: Some rain. Degree of certainty is (100%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 17th June 2011: Isolated rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

China has 657 cities at all levels

BEIJING, 16 June—After a series of administrative changes to urban divisions last year, China currently has 657 cities at all levels, said a report released by the country's Ministry of Civil Affairs Thursday.

According to the document, entitled "The Statistical Report on China's Social Service development in 2010," the central government approved nine applications on administrative area changes in 2010, during which, three county-level cities were newly established.

Chinese cities across China largely fall into three levels: province-level cities, also known as municipalities, such as Beijing and Shanghai, prefectural cities and county-level ones.

The minimum population density for a county to be upgraded to a city in China is 100 people per square kilometer.—Xinhua



Cebu Pacific chief executive Lance Gokongwei with a scale model of an aircraft at a press conference in Manila. Cebu Pacific announced Thursday it had ordered 37 new Airbus jets worth \$3.8 billion in the nation's biggest-ever aircraft order so it can expand across the Asia Pacific.—INTERNET

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL**Programme Schedule****(17-6-2011) (Friday)****Transmissions**

Local	Times
Overseas Transmission	(09:00am~11:00am)MST
	(17-6-11 09:30 am ~ 18-6-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Myanmar Horoscope with Advanced IT
- * News
- * Open Business for Contractors Event
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- * News
- * Impressionist Myanmar Master Artist U Lun Gywe
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Culture Stage
- * News
- * Monsoon Discount Lifestyle Fair (2011)
- * Myanmar Movies "Master of Flowers"

**Friday,****17 June****View on today****7:00 am**

1. Paritta By Hilly Region Missionary Sayadaw Uppatasanti Paritta

7:30 am

2. Morning News

7:40 am

3. Dhamma Puja Song

7:50 am

4. Nice & Sweet Song

8:00 am

5. Health Programme

8:10 am

6. Myanmar Traditional Performing Arts Competition

8:25 am

7. The Mirror Images Of The Musical Oldies

8:40 am

8. International News

8:45 am

9. Musical Programme

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Musical Programme

4:20 pm

3. Myanmar Traditional Performing Arts Competition

4:30 pm

4. Dance Of National Races

4:40 pm

5. Songs Of Yester Years

4:50 pm

6. University Of Distance Education (TV Lectures) First Year (Myanmar)

5:05 pm

7. Songs for Uphold National Spirit

5:10 pm

8. Documentary

5:25 pm

9. Teleplay (Traffic)

5:35 pm

10. Yoetha Phyu Sin Kalaydoeathwin

6:00 pm

11. Evening News

6:15 pm

12. Weather Report

6:20 pm

13. Internet Garden

7:00 pm

14. TV Drama Series

8:00 pm

15. News

16. International News

17. Weather Report

18. Just For Laughs (Gags Asia)

19. TV Drama Series

20. Song Lover

- ★ 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

Tourist Guides Association taking shape



Union Minister U Tint Hsan speaks at the meeting with members of temporary Myanmar Tourist Guides Association. —MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 16 June — To boost the role of tourist guides, Ministry of Hotels and Tourism has planned to organize the Myanmar Tourist Guides Association.

As tourist guides are playing an important role in making efforts for development of tourism sector, the Ministry of Hotels and Tourism has planned to organize the association, said Union Minister for Hotels and Tourism U Tint Hsan at the coordination meeting for organizing the association.

Ministry of Hotels and Tourism will contribute K 5 million to the funds for organizing the association.

During the meeting, members of the temporary association and Principal of the Hotels and Tourism Training School U Sein Hla Myint discussed matters on rules and regulations for the association, curriculum for tourist guide course meeting the

ASEAN standard, issuing of guide license and courses for guides.

MNA

Summer basic music course concludes

NAY PYI TAW, 16 June—The conclusion of summer basic music course, jointly conducted by Nay Pyi Taw Pynmana Township Music Asiayon and Thabin Asiayon, was held at Township Music Asiayon, on 4 June.

A total of 17 trainees attended the course that lasted nine days.

It was attended by the Township administrator, patrons and chairmen from Music Asiayon and Thabin Asiayon.

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Union Transport Minister receives Chinese Ambassador



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Weighing cancer risks, from cellphones to coffee



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Noteworthy amounts of rainfall (16-6-2011)

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