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Systematic cultivation methods explained to farmers of Dekkhinathiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw Council Area

NAY PYI TAW, 16 July—Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing this morning met farmers of Dekkhinathiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw Council Area at the 20-acre special high yield paddy educative farm in Pobbathiri Township.

He explained use of special yield quality paddy strains, application of modern cultivation methods, systematic use of inputs, fertilizers and pesticides, production of value-added products from crops and

seeking the firm market.

Officials briefed them on 14-point modern cultivation methods, benefits from systematic nurturing, farmland reclamation and arrangements for supply of water for agricultural purpose.

Chairman of Shwe Than Lwin Co U Kyaw Win explained plans to broaden horizon of farmers on agriculture sector through media and establishment of model farmings.



Union A&I Minister U Myint Hlaing giving instructions to farmers of Dekkhinathiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw Council Area at 20-acre special high yield paddy educative farm in Pobbathiri Township.—MNA

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

True patriotism

- * It is very important for everyone of the nation regardless of the place he lives to have strong Union Spirit.
- * Only Union Spirit is the true patriotism all the nationalities will have to safeguard.

Officials conducted the farmers around special high yield sunflower plantation that can produce 50-60 baskets per acre, special yield sugarcane plantation that can produce 60-ton per acre and livestock breeding farms.—MNA

Union Cooperatives Minister supervises rural development and poverty alleviation activities launched in Mon State

NAY PYI TAW, 16 July—Member of Working Committee for Rural Development and Poverty Alleviation Union Minister for Cooperatives U Ohn Myint, accompanied by Advisor at President Office Dr Sein Hla Bo, Chairman of Central Cooperative Ltd and Cooperative Bank Ltd U Khin Maung Aye, visited Inkapo pomelo farm in Kyaikto Township, Mon State yesterday.

In meeting with perennial crops and fruit growers, and cooperative syndicates and association and locals, the Union Minister said the President had stressed the four objectives for rural development and poverty alleviation—to ensure livelihood of the poor, to ensure the poor are provided with safe accommodations and healthcare and children of the poor have access to education. He highlighted that achievement of those objective



would result in drop in poverty. He then called cooperators for putting those objectives into practice with enthusiasm and devotion. Personnel also explained income-generating schemes and loan-disbursing activities.

Union Cooperatives Minister U Ohn Myint meets perennial crops and fruit growers, members of cooperative syndicates and enthusiasts at No. 1 Basic Education Middle School in Thaton.

MNA

The Union Minister met fruit farmers, members of cooperative syndicate and enthusiasts at No. 1 Basic Education Middle School in Thaton and Kyonka Farm in Kyonka Village in Paung Township.—MNA

PERSPECTIVES

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Raise quality and production

Myanmar gathers momentum of economic growth based on agriculture sector. Focusing on annually boosting production of crops, Myanmar stands at the higher role in production of paddy, and beans and pulses. The government is striving for enhancement of industries while carrying out agriculture sector with momentum.

Sound infrastructures are being built for industrialize the nation. Strenuous efforts are to be made for building a modern and developed industrialized nation. The government and the private sectors are to harmoniously join hands in modernizing the industrial sector. At present, encouragement is being given to establishment of industrial zones not only for development of State-owned industries and industrial zones but also for improvement of private-owned industries.

The factories that have been established in respective industrial zones are manufacturing multi-purpose diesel engines, heavy machines and machine tools, turbines and generators by applying advanced technologies. Moreover, many import-substitute factories were built so as to produce personal and household goods, foodstuffs and import-substitute products.

Thanks to encouragement of the State, industrial zones were set up across the nation. As technology and necessary requirements are being fulfilled to small- and medium-scale industries, over 60,000 industries have so far come to operations. Furthermore, technicians are continuously turned out to apply advanced technology for building the industrialized nation in a short period.

In uplifting the private sector and the role of industrial zones, emphasis is to be placed on improvement of quantity and quality and boosting production of marketable goods. With regard to manufacturing of quality products by factories and workshops, the tripartite efforts of the Union government, region and state governments and private entrepreneurs are to be accelerated for achieving greater progress of industries.



Myanmar selected Karatedo athletes seen at Yangon International Airport before their departure for the People's Republic of China. —MNA

Peoples' Festival

- * 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

Winners awarded in contest to mark World Population Day



Chief Minister of Yangon Region U Myint Swe delivering speech at awarding-ceremony.—MNA

YANGON, 16 July—A ceremony to present prizes to winners in Yangon Region poster and essay contest to mark the World Population Day 2011 took place at No. 6 Basic Education High School in Botahtaung Township, attended by Chief Minister of Yangon Region U Myint Swe.

The Chief Minister delivered an address. The Chief Minister, region ministers and rectors of universities awarded the prize winning students. They viewed prize winning works of students and documentary photos.

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The handicapped honoured for outstanding educational performance

YANGON, 16 July—A ceremony to honour and provide cash assistance students from School for the Blind and youth training schools under Social Welfare Department of Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement, who passed 2010-2011 academic year matriculation examination took place at Kyimyindine School for the Blind here this afternoon, attended by Director-General U Soe Kyi of Social Welfare

Department.

The School for the Blind in Sagaing turned a three-distinction winner and a two-distinction winner, Kyimyindine School for the Blind a one-distinction winner, Khawechan School for the Blind a one-distinction winner and five from the Kyimyindine School for the Blind, two from Yangon female youths training schools, four from Khawechan School for the Blind, one from Labutta youth training school and one from the Meiktila School for the Blind passed the matric exam.

Shwe Thanlwin Co and Shwe Supan Co donated 0.5 million each, Shine Hope Co, Shwepazun



Director-General U Soe Kyi accepts one set of computer and related accessories donated by Mr Giuseppe Rotondella.—MNA

Family and Kaung Media K 0.3million each, Total Co K 275,000, Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation and Save the

Children K 0.2million each, and other wellwishers also made donation totalling K 5,280,000 to honour the students.—MNA

Myanmar Karatedo team to contest Asian Senior game

YANGON, 16 July — Selected Myanmar athletes team left for Fujian of Quanzhou Prefecture in the People's Republic of China this morning, to contest Asian Senior Karatedo Tournament to be held from 16 to 25 July.

Myanmar Karatedo Federation President Dr. U Win Zaw and officials saw off the team at Yangon International Airport. The team includes Manager U Htein Win Myint, five referees to sit official exam and four sportsmen.—MNA



Iraqi security forces inspect the scene of a bomb attack in Baghdad, Iraq, Saturday, 16 July, 2011. A bomb in a minibus parked outside a restaurant in the Karradah neighborhood killed and wounded several people, officials said.—INTERNET

13 killed in ambush in western Mexico

MEXICO CITY, 16 July—At least 12 police officers and a bystander were killed in a highway ambush in western Mexico, security authorities said.

The attack, which occurred around 6 pm Friday, happened when a police convoy was passing a fake checkpoint set up by a group of gunmen on a highway in the country's western state of Sinaloa.

A bystander was caught in the cross fire and shot to death.—Xinhua



A boy walks past a mud house damaged by a bomb explosion early morning in the Pakistan-Afghanistan border town of Chaman on 14 July, 2011. The blast in a house used by Afghan refugees in the southwestern town of Chaman on the Afghan border killed four people and wounded 10, police said. The blast may have been caused by the mishandling of explosives being prepared for militant activities, police chief Shah Nawaz Khan said.—INTERNET

US soldier killed in southern Iraq

BAGHDAD, 16 July—The US military says an American soldier has been killed while conducting military operations in southern Iraq.

The military gave no further details in a statement released late Friday, and the name of the dead service member is being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

The death brings to 4,473 the number of American troops who have died in Iraq since the war started in 2003. That's according to an Associated Press count.

It is also the fourth US military fatality this month.

Shiite Muslim militias have stepped up attacks on US forces with the approach of the year-end planned withdrawal of all American troops.—Internet

Ten killed, 70 wounded in bomb attacks during Shiite rite in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 16 July—A total of 10 people were killed and 70 wounded in series of bomb attacks on Friday and Saturday morning in the Iraqi holy city of Karbala during a major Shiite rite, police said.

The attacks started on Friday afternoon when two car bombs exploded at a garage near the Shiite shrine in northern part of Karbala, some 110 km southwest of Baghdad, killing three people and wounding 15 others, a local police told Xinhua on condition of anonymity. Another booby-trapped car detonated late Friday in the town of al-Hindiya, some 30 km east of Karbala, targeting groups of Shiite pilgrims heading

to the holy shrine of Karbala, killing six pilgrims and wounding 28 others, an Interior Ministry source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

On Saturday morning, a motorcycle bomb struck a crowd of Shiite pilgrims in Karbala's southern

neighborhood of al-Mulhaq, killing a worshipper and wounding 27 others, the source said. Karbala is the scene for a major Shiite ceremony commemorating the birth of Imam Mohammed al-Mahdi, the last of the 12 most revered Shiites' Imams.—Xinhua



A burnt vehicle is pulled away from the site of a bomb attack in Kerbala, 80 km (50 miles) southwest of Baghdad on 16 July, 2011.—INTERNET

Two killed in two suicide attacks east of Algiers

ALGIERS, 16 July—Two people were killed and 15 others injured in two suicide bomb attacks Saturday in Bordj-Menaïel, 70 km east of Algiers the capital, Algerian newspaper *El Watan* reported.

The first attack killed a security staff when a suicide bomber on board a car blew himself up near a police station early in the morning, the source said.

Soon, another

suicide bomber riding a motorbike crossed a mass and headed up to the town hall before being stopped by a police officer on the spot. The explosion killed the police officer and injured many civilians.

The two attacks caused considerable damages to surrounding buildings and houses, including the town hall, the CPA bank and others located along the Amirouche Boulevard.

The attacks occurred just two days after other attacks in the locality of Baghliia, in Boumerdes province, 45 km east of Algiers, which killed two soldiers and injured six others.—Xinhua

A bomb dropped from a US Air Force F-15 jet explodes during a fire fight between Taliban fighters and the Afghan and US soldiers at Checkpoint Two Point Five in Kunar Province, Afghanistan, on 14 July, 2011.

INTERNET



Explosion injures 14 people in Israel

JERUSALEM, 16 July—Fourteen people were injured on late Friday evening after an explosion rocked a building in the Israeli City of Netanya, Ynet news reported.

The blast occurred in an apartment complex located above a restaurant in a three-storey building in Netanya's industrial zone, causing some parts of the building to collapse. Additional explosions were reported following the first blast, with glass shards spreading across the scene.

Initial reports said that the explosion was apparently the result of an electrical malfunction, but later officials said that the cause was not yet clear.—Internet

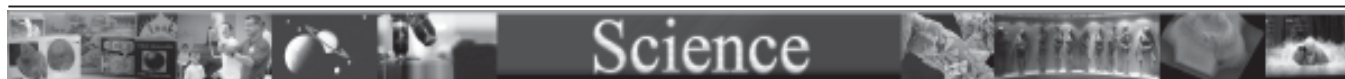
Ten killed in bus firing in northwest Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 16 July—At least ten people were killed when a passenger bus was attacked Saturday in Pakistan's northwest Hangu district, reported local Urdu TV channel Geo.



Ten people were killed after gunmen fired on a coach carrying passengers in a troubled northwestern tribal region today.—INTERNET

According to the report, the incident took place in the Upper Karram area of Hangu where is some 80 kilometers southwest of Peshawar when some unknown gunmen fired at a bus heading towards Nowshera from Kurram Agency, a tribal area bordering Afghanistan. Seven people including three women were killed on the spot. Three of the injured people died later at hospital. No group claimed responsibility for the attack.—Internet



Conservationists sound alarm over macaque

RIO DE JANEIRO, 16 July—The long-tailed macaque is being threatened with extinction by a huge surge in international trade and the destruction of its habitat in Southeast Asia, conservationists said on Friday.

Species Survival Network (SSN), an international coalition of over 80 charities, says trade in the species had more than doubled in the second half of the last decade.



A female long-tailed macaque carries her baby at the zoo in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The long-tailed macaque is being threatened with extinction by a huge surge in international trade and the destruction of its habitat in Southeast Asia, conservationists have said.—INTERNET

The group is pressing countries taking part in a meeting of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) in Geneva this month to review the impact on the macaque of the trade.

"The long-tailed macaque is the most heavily-traded mammal currently listed on the CITES appendices and our research findings raise alarming questions concerning the long-term viability of targeted populations of the species if this trade is allowed to continued at current levels," Ian Redmond, chairman of the SSN Primate Working Group said in a statement.

Traders sold more than 260,000 long-tailed macaques — found mainly in Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, the Philippines and Vietnam — between 2004 and 2008, a huge rise from the nearly 120,000 between 1999 and 2003. The breeding and supply of the monkey has developed into a large scale business enterprise mainly in Southeast Asia with most exported for medical and scientific purposes.

Internet

Male, female pandas seek separate habitats

BEIJING, 16 July—Male and female giant pandas in the wild prefer to be in different habitats, Chinese researchers say.

Researchers at the Institute for Zoology at the Chinese Academy of Sciences say female pandas frequent high-altitude conifer forests and mixed forests on steeper slopes, whereas males roam more widely, the BBC reported Friday.

Scientists have identified the basic type of habitat pandas need to survive, which tends to be forests above 5,000 feet rich in bamboo, the pandas' main food.

But the specific habitat preferences of males and females



Giant pandas, an endangered species, are raised in captivity at the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding in Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan Province, on 28 Aug, 2010. While the dragon has historically served as China's national emblem, in recent decades the Giant Panda has become an emblem for the country.—INTERNET

have been largely ignored until now.

Female pandas tend to limit their movements to within high-altitude conifer forests and mixed forests and also prefer habitat that slopes at between 10 and 20 degrees, as such areas provide den sites for birthing and dense bamboo cover in which baby pandas can hide.

Males, on the other hand, range more widely, covering areas that overlap the ranges of several females, researchers said.

This segregation of the sexes needs to be considered in conservation and management efforts to safeguard the giant panda, they said.—Internet



Google+ social network membership tops 10 million

SAN FRANCISCO, 16 July—Google chief Larry Page said Thursday that the Internet giant's freshly launched Google+ social network already has more than 10 million members.

"Over 10 million people have joined Google-Plus," Page said during a quarterly earnings conference call. "That is a great achievement for the team."

He added that more than a billion items are shared daily at Google+.

Google launched its rival to Facebook on 28 June, with membership limited to invitation-only while the service remains in a test phase.

"Online sharing is awkward. Even broken. And we aim to fix it,"

Google's senior vice president for engineering Vic Gundotra said in a blog post about the social-networking initiative.

Unveiling Google+, Gundotra stressed the ability it gives users to separate online friends and family into different "Circles," or networks, and to share information only with members of a particular circle.



"We'd like to bring the nuance and richness of real-life sharing to software," he said.

One of the criticisms of Facebook is that updates are shared with all of one's friends unless a user has gone through a relatively complicated process to create separate Facebook Groups.

"Not all relationships are created equal," Gundotra said. "So in life we share one thing with college buddies, another with parents, and almost nothing with our boss."

Internet

Apple software update thwarts iPhone-iPad hack

WASHINGTON, 16 July—Apple on Friday released a software update to patch a vulnerability that hackers could use to break into the company's popular iPad, iPhone and iPod Touch gadgets.

The flaw made it possible for hackers to infiltrate Apple mobile devices by duping users into opening

PDF document files booby-trapped with malicious computer code.

Although no attacks have been observed, it was feared that hackers would exploit the weakness. The update to iOS software running Apple mobile gadgets fortified defences. The update was available free at Apple's online iTunes shop.—Internet

Twitter marks fifth anniversary of public launch

SAN FRANCISCO, 16 July—Twitter marked the fifth anniversary of its public launch Friday with a slew of statistics demonstrating the explosive growth of the real-time blogging service.

"There were 224 Tweets sent on 15 July, 2006. Today, users send that many Tweets in less than a tenth of a second," Twitter said in a message on its @Twitter-GlobalPR account.

"Yesterday, we saw more than 600,000 signups. It took us more than 16 months to reach the first 600,000 Twitter accounts," Twitter said.

Twitter Engineering said it is delivering 350 billion tweets a day.

The San Francisco-based Twitter said last month that Twitter users are sending 200 million

messages a day, most of which have to be delivered to multiple accounts. Twitter co-founder Jack Dorsey fired off the first tweets on 21 March, 2006 and the service opened to the public on 15 July, 2006.



Twitter now has more than 200 million users. According to a recent study by the Pew Research Centre, 13 percent of online US adults use Twitter, up from eight percent in November 2010.

Internet



Health



Bernard Farr soaks his feet at Boston Health Care for the Homeless' Foot Clinic in Boston, Massachusetts on 19 May, 2011.
INTERNET

Younger kids respond better to 'Lazy Eye' treatment

ROCHESTER, 16 July — Younger children respond better to treatment for lazy eye (amblyopia) than older children, according to an analysis of previous studies.

The meta-analysis of data from 996 children who took part in four clinical trials found that children ages 3 to 7 years old responded better to treatment for both moderate and severe amblyopia than those aged 7 to less than 13.

There were no differences in treatment response between children aged 3 to less than 5 and those aged 5 to less than 7

with moderate amblyopia.

However, children aged 3 to less than 5 with severe amblyopia had a greater treatment response than those aged 5 to less than 7.

Despite the lower treatment response in older children, they still showed improvements in vision acuity (clarity) and some achieved significant benefits, the researchers said.

"In conclusion, while there is improvement in visual acuity across all age ranges from 3 to under 13, children 7 to less than 13 years of age are least responsive to amblyopia treatment," wrote review author Jonathon M Holmes, of the Mayo Clinic in

Rochester, Minn, and colleagues.

"Despite reduced mean average treatment response in children 7 to less than 13 years of age, some children in this age group showed marked improvement with treatment."

The study appears online 11 July in the *Archives of Ophthalmology*.

In related news, a research letter published in the same issue of the journal concluded that an intensive final treatment effort (using eye patches and atropine) does not appear to improve visual acuity in children who still have mild amblyopia after initial treatment.—*Internet*

Health Tip: Controlling your diabetes

Tight diabetes control means carefully managing your meals, exercise and medication to ensure that your blood glucose levels are stable.

The American Diabetes Association mentions these potential benefits of tight diabetes control:

- * Lower risk of diabetic eye disease, kidney disease and nerve disease.
- * Reduced risk of any existing diabetes complications getting worse.
- * Increased energy levels and simply feeling better.
- * More flexibility with meal schedules.
- * Reduced risk of birth defects in offspring if you become pregnant.

Internet



Business



Oil rises as market eyes earnings, US data, imports

NEW YORK, 16 July—Oil rose on Friday as lower supplies for a key Canadian export pipeline and strong earnings reports by Google and Citigroup buoyed prices despite a rash of weak US economic data.

Oil got an early lift after Google and Citigroup reported earnings. Oil prices got further support from expiry of options on the New York Mercantile Exchange, market players said.

"There is pre-weekend short-covering going on as nobody wants

to be short at this time with so many things going on," said Phil Flynn, analyst with PFBEST Research in Chicago. But US economic data limited the upside, as consumer confidence plummeted to its lowest level in more than two years in early July and factory output stalled in June.

The premium of Brent to US futures narrowed to below \$20 a barrel, pulled down in part by news TransCanada Corp will cut nominated crude volumes on its Keystone pipeline to the United States from Canada by 20 percent next month for maintenance.

US crude lead the oil complex higher, rising \$1.75 \$97.44 a barrel at 12:04 EDT (1604 GMT). Brent crude gained \$1.19 to trade at \$117.45 a barrel.

The market was also weighing the possibility of a second round of strategic petroleum reserve releases. Germany and Italy are likely to oppose a second release, a French government source said on Friday.

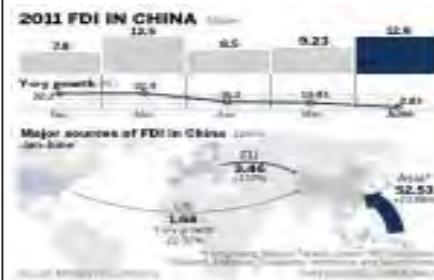
Reuters



A gas pump is seen hanging from the ceiling at a petrol station in Seoul on 27 June, 2011.

INTERNET

US Companies invested less in China in June



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WASHINGTON, 16 July—US companies invested less in China last month as the global economy turns sour.

China's foreign direct investment, or FDI, for declined 2.8%, the lowest rate since last September, according to the Ministry of Commerce on Friday.

Yao Jian, spokesman for the ministry, told the *China Daily* that the country will remain an

attractive destination for corporate investors in the mid- and long-term and said there was no sign of a decline trend.

In June, China brought in \$12.9 billion in FDI, up 2.8% from June 2010. By comparison, May FDI rose over 13% from the same period last year.

All told, China's FDI in the first half of 2011 rose by 18.4% year-on-year to \$60.9 billion,

showing that China remains the growth story for multinationals and private investors looking long term.

"The general picture is China's FDI growth has been fluctuating for several months, but the foreign-investment environment has never changed," Yao said at the monthly news briefing on Friday.

Jiangsu Province, which traditionally has absorbed the most FDI, has seen the FDI growth rate slow to 10 percent this year. Zhu Min, director of the department of commerce of Jiangsu, told *China Daily* that the country's attractiveness for foreigners is still there, and that the region's annual FDI growth in 2011 should come in close to 10%.—*Internet*

China, Russia celebrate 10th anniversary of friendship Treaty in Moscow

BEIJING, 16 July—The Chinese Embassy in Russia has held a reception in Moscow, to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the China-Russia Treaty of Good Neighbourliness, Friendship, and Cooperation.

China's Ambassador to Russia, Li Hui, said the pact has become more vigorous as time has gone by, and bilateral relations have reached an all-time high. He also pledged to cherish the achievements made so far in Sino-Russian relations, and increase efforts to boost people-to-people contacts.

Friday's reception gathered nearly 600 representatives from the two countries, including Russian Deputy Prime Minister Alexander Zhukov.

Two-way trade has increased from about 8 billion US dollars in 2000, to nearly 60 billion



Representatives from both China and Russia stamp the commemorative envelopes during a reception to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the signing of the China-Russia Treaty of Good Neighbourliness, Friendship and Cooperation, at the Chinese Embassy in Moscow, capital of Russia, on 15 July, 2011.—XINHUA

dollars last year. The China-Russia Treaty of Good Neighbourliness, Friendship, and Cooperation was signed in Moscow on 16th July, 2001.—Xinhua

Six die, 17 injured in east China road accident

NANJING, 16 July—Six people died and 17 others were injured in a road accident Saturday afternoon in east China's Jiangsu Province, local publicity officials said.

The accident happened at about 1:38 pm when a coach hit into the side of a semi-trailer at a crossroad in the town of Daxu in Xuzhou City, the Publicity Department of Xuzhou Communist Party Committee said in a statement. Six people on the coach died on the spot, including the driver, according to the statement.

The injured were rushed to local hospitals, yet their conditions are not immediately known.

An investigation into the cause of the accident is under way.

Xinhua

Five mountain climbers fall to their deaths in Swiss Alps

VALAIS, 16 July—Five mountain climbers were killed on Friday as a result of three separate incidents in the Pennine Alps mountain range in Switzerland, police said.

The deadliest accident happened at around 10 am local time on Grand Combin in the western Pennine Alps. Grand Combin is with its 4,314 meters (14,154 ft) high summit one of the highest peaks in the Alps and the second most prominent of its range.

According to a statement from Valais Canton Police, one of the three climbers fell and likely caused his two fellow climbers to fall as well. "The victims fell down several hundred meters down a snowy lane while hitting the rocks," the statement said, adding that the identification process is ongoing.

Another accident happened on the Petit Mont Collon mountain as

two climbers descended from the summit.

The men had installed a rope around a rock and, after the first climber went down, the second climber fell about 20 metres (65 feet) when the rope broke. "He died at the scene of the accident," police said.

The third accident happened on the 4,010 meters (13,156 feet) high Lagginhorn mountain when seven German climbers had almost reached the summit.

One of them was killed when he lost his balance and fell, falling hundreds of metres.

Valais Canton Police described Friday as an unusually deadly day. Since the beginning of the season, a total of 13 climbers have died in the region, including eight during the month of July.

Internet



Delhi Metro trains plying on the Vaishali-Anand Vihar stretch after its inauguration by Uttar Pradesh Minister Swami Prasad Maurya at Vaishali in Ghaziabad District on Thursday.—INTERNET

Nearly 14 percent of Italians living in poverty

ROME, 16 July—More than 8 million people in Italy, or about 13.8 percent of the population, live in relative poverty, according to figures released by the Italian national statistics agency on Friday.

The 2010 Households Budget Survey by the Italian National Institute of Statistics revealed that more than 3 million people lived in absolute poverty, which accounted for 5.2 percent of the Italian population.

A two-person household was considered to be relatively poor if it spent 992.46 euros (about 1,399 US

dollars) a month. The figure was 9 euros (about 12.7 dollars) higher than the 2009 threshold, the agency said. Families with monthly expenditures at or below that limit were classified as living in absolute poverty.

In southern Italy, where economic development lags behind other regions of the country, more people lived in poverty, the survey found.

The relative poverty rate of southern households was 23 percent, while for central and northern families the rate was 6.3 percent and 4.9 percent respectively.—Xinhua

US soldier arrested after trying to board Los Angeles-bound plane with explosives

YUMA, 16 July—A US soldier has been arrested and charged with attempting to board a United Airlines flight while possessing a small amount of explosives, prosecutors in Arizona confirmed on Thursday.

US Army Private First Class Christopher Eric Wey, 19, was arrested on Wednesday when he tried to board a United Airlines flight from Yuma in Arizona to Los Angeles. Security officers with the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) detected the presence of explosives in Wey's luggage during a routine screening.

"TSA personnel subsequently found one-half ounce of C4 explosive hidden in a tobacco can inside one of Wey's bags. Wey was detained for investigation, and interviewed by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)," a spokesperson for the US Attorney's Office in Arizona said.

According to a complaint filed on Thursday, Wey stole the C4 explosive while attending a recent explosive training course. It is not known why he stole it, but authorities found no evidence that Wey intended any harm

with the explosives in his possession. Wey has been charged with one count of Attempt to Carry an Explosive on an Aircraft and one count of Transportation of a Stolen Explosive. He faces a maximum penalty of 10 years imprisonment, and a \$250,000 fine, if convicted.—Internet



Photo taken on 15 July, 2011, shows a stamp called Penny Black, the first stamp in the world, exhibited in Changchun, capital of northeast China's Jilin Province. The Penny Black imperforate was the world's first adhesive postage stamp used in a public system. It was issued by the United Kingdom on 1 May, 1840, for official use from 6 May of that year.—XINHUA

Horn of Africa in grip of food crisis due to severe drought



Mad Uren Moalim, who says he is 105 years old, sits in front of his makeshift shelter at a camp for internally displaced persons in Somalia's capital Mogadishu 15 July, 2011. The Horn of Africa is in the grip of a major food crisis, with millions of people severely affected in drought-stricken areas of Somalia, Kenya, Ethiopia, Djibouti and Uganda, according to the United Nations.

XINHUA



A Worker works at the construction site of Shanghai Center Tower in east China's Shanghai, on 15 July, 2011. Some one thousand construction workers of Shanghai Center Tower remain at their posts despite the canicule in Shanghai. The 632-meter-high skyscraper is expected to be completed in 2014.—XINHUA

Evacuees rises to over 4,500 as volcano erupts Indonesia

JAKARTA, 16 July—The number of people escaping volcano eruption in North Sulawesi of central Indonesia rose to about 4,550 people on Saturday, as the mount's seismic activity still high, officials said Saturday.

Mount Lokon erupted three times on Saturday at 13 : 04 pm local time, 07: 56 am local time and 05: 11 local time, spewing volcanic ash by up to 200 meter high and directing to the

north, a volcanologist at monitoring post located 5 kilometres from the mount told *Xinhua* by phone.

"People living near the slope keep flocking to the shelters.

Their number rose to 5,554 people today from that of about 3,000 on Thursday evening," an official of disaster management agency told *Xinhua*.

According to local official of disaster management agency

some evacuees have returned home.

Volcanologists raised alert status of Mount Lokon to top alert on Sunday evening, declared evacuation zone of 3.5 km and recommended evacuation.

Mount Lokon of 1,750 meters high is one of Indonesia's 129 active volcanoes. Its last major eruption in 1991 killed one Swiss hiker and displaced thousands of people.

Xinhua

6.0-magnitude quake hits off Chilean coast

SANTIAGO, 16 July—An earthquake measuring 6.0 on the Richter scale Friday jolted 55 miles (88 km) off the central Chilean port City of Valparaiso, the US Geological Survey said.

The epicenter, with a depth of 22.90 km, hit at around 8:26 pm local time (0026 GMT), and was initially determined to be at 33.80 degrees south latitude and 72.07 degrees west longitude.

There were no immediate reports of damage or tsunami warning.

An earthquake measuring 5.4 on the Richter scale jolted Vanuatu at 1500 GMT on Friday, according to the US Geological Survey.

The epicenter, with a depth of 57.10 km, was initially determined to be at 17.2269 degrees south latitude and 167.3454 degrees east longitude.

Xinhua

Mudslide strands 800-strong people, 300-plus vehicles in SW China's Yunnan

KUNMING, 16 July—More than 800 people and 300-odd motor vehicles are stranded in a highway in southwest China's Yunnan Province after the road was partly covered by a landslide Saturday morning, according to local police.

No casualties are reported.

The mudslide occurred at around 10:00 am Saturday in Fugong County of Nujiang Lisu Autonomous Prefecture. Mud and rocks from the snow-cladded Biluo Mountain rushed to the Wagong Highway, the only highway leading to Gongshan Dulong and Nu Autonomous County of the Prefecture, and covered a more-than-100-meter-long section of the road. Rescue work is under way.—*Xinhua*

Strong quake hits Tonga

SUVA, 16 July—An earthquake measuring 6.0 on the Richter Scale jolted Tonga Islands region at 0704 GMT on Saturday, Hong Kong Observatory.

Xinhua

Firefighters try to put out the fire in a flour mill in Meishan City, southwest China's Sichuan Province, on 14 July, 2011. The waste oil discharged from an oil refinery in Meishan exploded into flames on Thursday night. The fire, which spread to a nearby flour mill, has been put out so far, causing no casualties.—XINHUA

Seven killed in boat explosion in Indonesia

JAKARTA, 16 July—A patrol boat belonging to the customs office exploded on Friday night in North Sumatra, killing seven officials and seriously injuring two others, rescuer said on Saturday.

Head of search and rescue office in North Sumatra Dianta Bangun told *Xinhua* by phone that the accident at Pantai Labuh beach in Deli Serdang District took place before starting engine. "Four bodies of the officials were found at the site on Friday night, but the other three were recovered on Saturday morning. Two others were being treated in a nearby hospital," he said.

The reason are unclear for the blast which happened as the officials were set to patrol to prevent smuggling, said Bangun. —*Xinhua*



A scientist takes sample of the red tide in north China's Bohai Bay, on 15 July, 2011. The red tide has the length of about 2 sea miles and it locates near two oilfield platforms in Bohai Bay. The two oilfield platforms are estimated to have leaked 1,500 barrels of oil, or 240 cubic meters, following two oil spills last month, the operator ConocoPhillips said on Thursday.

XINHUA



Aeriosa Dance Society members perform at the walls of Vancouver Public Library during annual Dancing on the Edge festival in Vancouver, Canada, on 13 July, 2011.

XINHUA

76 killed by cholera in Dominica since November

SANTO DOMINGO, 16 July—With the five fatalities over the past week, cholera has killed a total of 76 people in the Dominican Republic since November, the Health Ministry said Friday.

The number of suspected cholera cases has risen to 10,760 after 1,014 new cases were registered in the past week, it said.

Most fresh cases were reported in the southern Province of Elias Pina and on the outskirts of the capital Santo Domingo.

The ministry said health authorities in Dominica, which shares the Hispaniola Island with Haiti, were also checking 182 deaths to decide whether they were caused by the epidemic.

As the rainy season has begun in Dominica, hot and humid weather has led to a sharp rise of cholera cases in the Caribbean nation.

The ministry has tightened measures to prevent the spread of cholera and relevant diseases.

The current cholera developed from a severe outbreak in Haiti last year, according to Dominican officials. —*MNA/Xinhua*

7th monsoon tree-growing ceremony held in Chin State

NAY PYI TAW, 16 July—Union Minister for Forestry U Win Tun and Chin State Chief Minister U Hong Ngai gave a hand to the 7th monsoon tree-growing ceremony of Chin State taken place on Yone Hill yesterday morning.

They provided departmental heads and

social organization members participating in the ceremony with Khartawhmi saplings.

It was reported that there were a total of 2050 saplings—500 eucalyptuses, 700 Yethinwin, 200 Mineball, 500 Cheery, and 150 Khartawhmi—had been

planted by Chin State Hluttaw Speaker, Deputy Speaker and state ministers, departmental heads of the ministry, State/Township level departmental heads and staff, members of social organizations, as well as local people in the ceremony.—MNA



ROAD WORKS INSPECTED: Deputy Minister for Construction U Soe Tint made an inspection tour of Pyay-Paukhaung-Ottwin-Toungoo Road on 11 July. He looked into construction of retaining walls for proper flow of water along the road as part of efforts to maintain road sections in rainy season.—MNA

Collective tree planting ceremony held in Ahmar



AHMAR, 16 July—The collective monsoon tree planting ceremony took place at Ahmar-3 Bawatthit Village, Pyapon Township, Ayeyawady Region on 3 July morning.

The ceremony was attended by Township Administrator U Aung Win,

the Head of Ahmar MPF, Staff Officer U Kyin Lin of Pyapon Township Forest Department and staff members, members of social organizations and local people. Those present on the occasion grew a total of saplings of different species.—District IPRD

China spends 3.8 bln yuan on non-structural flood control measures

BEIJING, 16 July—China has allocated 3.8 billion yuan (584.6 million U.S.dollars) to reduce flood risks in mountainous areas through non-structural measures, the State Flood Control and Drought Relief Headquarters said Saturday.

The fund was spent on non-structural measures against mountainous torrents in 1,100 counties nationwide, which included strengthening flood forecasting, enhancing flood warning and emergency response systems.—Xinhua



Union Forestry Minister U Win Tun gives saplings to departmental staff in 7th monsoon tree-growing ceremony.

MNA

5th Inter-Ministry Football Tournament-2011 continues

NAY PYI TAW, 16 July—First round robin of 5th Inter-Ministry Football Tournament-2011 continued at designated football grounds today.

The matches between Ministry of Industry-1 and Ministry of Commerce at No. 2 Nay Pyi Taw sports ground and between Ministry of Livestock and

Fisheries and Ministry of Rail Transportation at Lewe sports ground tied 1-1.

At No. 1 Nay Pyi Taw sports ground, Ministry of Finance and Revenue humiliated Union Supreme Court 16-0.

In the fixture of 18 July, Ministry of Energy will meet Ministry of

Construction at No. 1 Nay Pyi Taw sports ground, Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation will play against Ministry of Science and Technology at No. 2 Nay Pyi Taw sports ground, and Ministry of Transport will meet Ministry of Industry-2 at Nay Pyi Taw Lewe sports ground.

MNA



Ministry of Industry-1 playing against Ministry of Commerce at No. 2 Nay Pyi Taw sports ground in first round robin of 5th Inter-Ministry Football Tournament-2011.—MNA

Japan's nuclear reactor shut down over technical glitch

TOKYO, 16 July—Japan's Kansai Electric Power Co. manually shut down the No.1 reactor at its Ohi nuclear power plant in western Japan's Fukui Prefecture due to technical glitches with its cooling system Saturday, local media reported.

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Friday night, setting off an alarm. The accumulator holds coolant to be injected into the reactor in an emergency, Kyodo News said. The pressure has stabilized since, but the utility halted the reactor Saturday night to find out what caused the problem. The reactor has been undergoing final adjustment procedures prior to commercial operations for an unusually long period of about four months. The 1,180,000-kilowatt reactor is equivalent to around 4 percent of the total power output of Kansai Electric.—Xinhua

Ninth ASEAN coal council meeting to be held in Nay Pyi Taw in August

NAY PYI TAW, 16 July — Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik addressed first meeting of central committee for organizing 9th ASEAN Coal Council Meeting at the ministry on 14 July.

The Union minister called for

successful holding of the council meeting in Nay Pyi Taw during the first week of August and for coordination between respective work committees.

Officials submitted reports to the Union minister who then attended to the needs.—MNA



Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik speaking at the meeting.—MNA

Magway SPED calls for success in first Champion Challenge Cup Tournament 2011

YANGON, 16 July—Magway Region Sports and Physical Education Department met to assign duties for success in the first Champion Challenge Cup Tournament 2011 to be held in Nay Pyi Taw in September, on 11 July.

Deputy Director U Thein Myint of

the Region Sports and Physical Education Department called for record of the standard region selected players and new blood as the Champion Challenge Cup Tournament 2011 will be held with 13 designated sports to be included in 27th SEA Games.—MNA

Agricultural loans and inputs provided to farmers

NAY PYI TAW, 16 July—Chief Minister of Ayeyawady Region U Thein Aung this morning attended the ceremony to present agricultural loans and inputs to farmers by Patheingyi Paddy Co Ltd No. 1 in Tundpalun Village-tract in Patheingyi Township.

Manager of Ayeyawady Region Myanmar Agriculture Service U Myint Thein reported on nurturing of quality

paddy strain at the farm, and Region Minister for Agriculture and Livestock Breeding U Tin Soe gave a supplementary report on agricultural development.

The Chief Minister viewed round nurturing the saplings at the farm.

Later, he viewed presentation of agricultural loans and inputs to the farmers.

MNA

Dy Co-op Minister emphasizes progress of cooperative society

NAY PYI TAW, 16 July—Deputy Minister for Cooperatives U Than Tun this morning met Chairman of Thiri Yadana Market Cooperative Society Ltd and officials at the office of the society in Lewe Township of Nay Pyi Taw

Council Area and gave instructions on progress of the society and cooperative works. The deputy minister viewed round the shops of members of the cooperative society.

MNA

Nay Pyi Taw Fire Services Department Director meets fire fighters in Zeyathiri Township

NAY PYI TAW, 16 July—Director U Than Kyaw Kyaw of Nay Pyi Taw Fire Services Department held a meeting with members of Zeyathiri Township Fire Brigade and auxiliary fire

brigade members at the hall of the township fire brigade yesterday evening.

In meeting with them, the director gave details on the speech of the Union Minister for Social

Welfare, Relief and Resettlement, and heard reports presented by Assistant Director U Win Myint on work programmes to form natural disaster research and rescue teams.—MNA

Hlinephone Model Village in Mawlamyinegyun...



Photo shows communication centre of Myanmar Posts and Telecommunications.

(from page 16)

Village Administrator U Wai Lwin at his office explained, "Hlinephone Village-tract is located at downstream of Mawlamyinegyun Township in Labutta District. The village-tract has 6734 acres of farmlands and 300 acres of nipa palms. Over 3 million stitched nipa palm leaf flaps are produced yearly. There are 1170 acres of coconut and areca palm farms. Main products of the area are paddy, nipa, crab, fish and prawn."

He added, "Hlinephone Village is constituted with 158 new houses, Leikchaung Model Village 160 houses and Kansu Model Village 152 houses. A 16-bed station hospital is under construction to provide health care

services to the people of 12 villages in the village-tract and Yedwington Village-tract. The communication centre was built in the aftermath of cyclone Nargis."

We saw neat and tidy Communication Centre near the Basic Education High School. Moreover, we had an opportunity to visit the construction site of building the 16-bed station hospital.

At the construction site, Project Engineer U Thein Naing explained, "Hlinephone Station Hospital is under construction. We all are striving for timely completion of the hospital with might and main."

On our trip, we witnessed the systematic location of rural health centre, Hlinephone police station and bridge construction site. Significantly, we saw

some housings of the village installed with TV satellites and telephones.

The village manages self-reliant generator to supply electricity to the local people.

The village administrator said, "Our dreams have come true. At present, our village has neat and tidy BEPS and a nursery. Ywathit Village has one monastic education school, Hlinephone Bridge, 13 feet wide rural road, new housings, tube-well and steel tank of water purifier as better facilities after the event of storm Nargis."

Village elder U Soe Thein noted, "In the past dense mangrove forests in the region created favourable weather and

prevented natural disasters. Due to undisciplined cutting off them, natural disaster violently swept the region. Taking precious lessons, the local people are keen to conserve the natural forests. Now, you all can see the thriving mangrove plantations along the strand road."

On our departure, we cannot forget the sector-wise progress of Hlinephone with new buildings, model villages, mangrove forests, dense nipa palm and coconut plants.

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A nipa palm farm seen near Hlinephone Model Village.

Chinese Vice Premier stresses development of new mines for sustainable economic growth



Zhou Yongkang (C), a member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee, watches an exhibition of the achievements made in the survey and assessment of land resources held in the National Museum of China in Beijing, capital of China.—XINHUA

BEIJING, 16 July—Vice Premier Li Keqiang called for greater efforts to find and establish new mines in order to propel sustainable economic growth while visiting a land resource survey

exhibition, which is being held in Beijing.

Li called for more efforts in geological prospecting in order to fuel the country's economic development and relieve a shortage of resources, which can create a bottleneck for economic growth.

Li said China should give priority to searching for domestic resource deposits and take stock of its energy and resource deposits.

Li said there is still great potential for discovering new mines, as prospecting currently being conducted at a relatively slow pace.

Xinhua

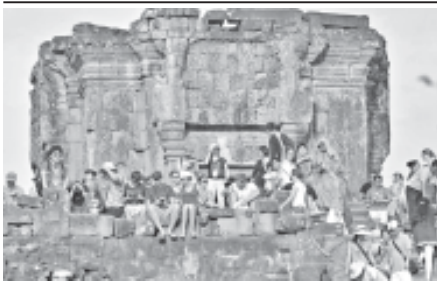
Large amount of drugs seized in Turkey

ANKARA, 16 July—Turkey's anti-drug police seized a large amount of drugs in two operations in Turkey on Friday, the semi-official *Anatolia* news agency reported. In a joint operation of narcotic teams from eastern

province of Van and southern province of Kilis, Turkish police confiscated 50 kg of heroin stashed in a car in Van Province, according to the report.

The police arrested one suspected person in connection with the

haul, said the report. In another operation, Turkish security forces confiscated 133 km of hashish hidden at a flour mill in Fethiye town of the western Province of Mugla on Friday, said the report. Turkey is a key transit route for smuggling drugs from Asia and the Middle East to markets in western Europe.—Xinhua



In this photo taken on 11 May, 2011, western tourist and others gather on the top of the 10th century temple Bakheng in the Angkor Wat complex near Siem Reap, Cambodia, to view the setting sun.

INTERNET

Strong El Nino could bring higher sea levels to US East Coast

WASHINGTON, 16 July—Coastal communities along the US East Coast may be at risk to higher sea levels accompanied by more destructive storm surges in future El Nino years, according to a new study published Friday by the US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

The study was prompted by an unusual number of destructive storm surges along the East Coast during the 2009-2010 El Nino winter.

The study, led by Bill Sweet, from NOAA's Centre for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services, examined water levels and storm surge events during the "cool season" of October to April for the past five decades at four sites representative of much of the East Coast: Boston, Atlantic City, Norfolk and Charleston.

From 1961 to 2010, it was found that in strong El Nino years, these coastal areas experienced nearly three times the average number of storm surge events (defined as those of one foot or greater). The research also found that waters in those areas saw a third-of-a-foot elevation in mean sea level above predicted conditions.

"High-water events are already a concern for coastal communities. Studies like this may better prepare local officials who plan for or respond to conditions that may impact their communities," said Sweet. "For instance, city planners may consider reinforcing the primary dunes to mitigate for erosion at their beaches and protecting vulnerable structures like city docks by October during a strong El Nino year."—Xinhua

Grape seed polyphenols may protect against Alzheimer's disease

WASHINGTON, 16 July—Researchers at Mount Sinai School of Medicine have found that grape seed polyphenols—a natural antioxidant — may help prevent the development or delay the progression of Alzheimer's disease. The research, led by Giulio Pasinetti, was published online Friday in the *Journal of Alzheimer's Disease*, which causes brain changes that gradually get worse. This is the first study to evaluate the ability of grape-derived polyphenols to prevent the generation of a specific form of amyloid (A) peptide, a substance in the brain long known to cause the neurotoxicity associated with Alzheimer's disease.

In partnership with a team at the University of Minnesota, Pasinetti and collaborators administered grape seed polyphenolic extracts to mice genetically determined to develop

memory deficits and A neurotoxins similar to those found in Alzheimer's disease. They found that the brain content of the A*56, a specific form of A previously implicated in the promotion of Alzheimer's disease memory loss, was substantially reduced after treatment. Previous studies suggest that increased consumption of grape-derived polyphenols, whose content, for example, is very high in red wine, may protect against cognitive decline in Alzheimer's.

This new finding corroborates those theories. "Since naturally occurring polyphenols are also generally commercially available as nutritional supplements and have negligible adverse events even after prolonged periods of treatment, this new finding holds significant promise as a preventive method or treatment."—Xinhua

Japan's Kansai Electric to shut down reactor due to technical failures

TOKYO, 16 July—Japan's Kansai Electric Power Co said on Saturday it planned to manually shut down the No1 reactor at its Ohi nuclear power plant in western Japan's Fukui Prefecture due to technical glitches with its cooling system, *Jiji Press* reported.

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Xinhua



Wei Jingou, an experienced porcelain craftsman, carries the semfinished products in Jingdezhen, east China's Jiangxi Province, on 14 July, 2011. Recently, the porcelain-making art in Jingdezhen has been under the stage of evaluation when applying for being listed into the United Nation's intangible cultural heritages. Known as the porcelain capital of China, Jingdezhen has a porcelain-making history of more than 1,000 years since Song Dynasty (960 to 1279).

XINHUA



An 8-foot high sand sculpture created by noted sand artist Sudrshan Patnaik at Puri beach in Orissa on Thursday following the serial blast in Mumbai.—INTERNET

Sunken Nazi submarine discovered off Brazilian coast

RIO DE JANEIRO, 16 July—Brazilian researchers announced Friday they have discovered the remains of a German World War II submarine sunken off the coast of the country's southern region.

Researchers from the Kat Schurmann Institute and Itajai Valley University said the U-513 submarine was found late Thursday at a depth of 75 meters off the coast of Santa Catarina

state. "We are very happy with the discovery," the researchers said.

The U-513 submarine was destroyed by a US seaplane on July 19, 1943. Seven of the 46 crew members survived, the researchers said.

It is believed that 10 German submarines had been sunk off the Brazilian coast besides the U-513 during World War II.—Internet

Three burglaries hit Britain every two minutes

LONDON, 16 July—Nearly 745,000 break-ins took place in British houses in 2010—meaning three burglaries every two minutes, a survey has found.

The number was 94,000 more than in the previous year, *The Sun* reported.

The rise in thefts is believed to be fuelled by the recession and a rise in unemployment, says the British Crime Survey.

A think-tank, Policy Exchange, has argued police only solve one in eight burglaries.

The survey also revealed there were 2.2 million violent crimes last year. This included a dramatic 38 percent hike in assaults with "minor injury" and a 35 percent increase in domestic violence.

Jon Murphy, a top official of the Association of Chief Police Officers, said rocketing metal prices drove a 70 percent upsurge in cable thefts in the railways.

Shadow home secretary Yvette Cooper said: "After years of falling crime, these figures show the further progress people want is at risk."—Internet

Stolen Picasso recovered in US

NEW YORK, 16 July—A Picasso painting that was stolen three weeks ago in New York has been found in the apartment of a man who was arrested last week in San Francisco for the theft of a sketch by the Spanish artist, police said Friday.

The recovered painting is a 1933 work, "Sculpteur et Deux Têtes", valued at \$350,000, which was robbed 27 June from an art gallery in New York's SoHo District.

Police agents from New York and Hoboken found 10 other works of art in Lugo's home that had been stolen between 6 June and 1 July from various galleries and hotels in New York, worth some \$500,000 in all.

Police obtained a search warrant for Lugo's home after he was detained last week in San Francisco accused of stealing "Tete de Femme", a 1965 sketch by Picasso that was on

view at the Weinstein Gallery.

San Francisco authorities recovered undamaged the work of art that has a sale price of over \$200,000 and which Lugo was apparently going to sell to an unidentified person. The accused, who pleads not guilty and remains in custody in San Francisco awaiting trial, was visiting some friends in Napa Valley when agents nabbed him.

Internet



A Picasso's "Sculpteur et Deux Têtes" painting that was stolen three weeks ago in New York. INTERNET

World's fattest mom earns USD 90k a year from fans who watch her eat online

LONDON, 16 July—An American woman who is aiming to become the world's fattest woman has already started profiting from her challenge - by earning 90,000 dollars a year from fans who pay to watch her eat online.

Donna Simpson, 44, who already holds the dubious honour of being the world's fattest woman to give birth, makes money from people hungry to watch her eat more than 15,000 calories a day, reports *the Daily Mail*.

The mother-of-two weighs 50st, but is determined to pile on yet more weight so she can reach her dream goal of being 72st and crowned the world's fattest woman. Her website charged people

around 20 dollars for 30 days for viewing her tucking huge meals, and the profits are used to fund her huge food shopping bill, which is estimated to cost her around 500 pounds a week. The New Jersey mother ploughs through burgers, chips, meatloaf, pizza, cake and fizzy drinks.

But Donna, who struggles to walk and suffers high blood pressure, heart disease and diabetes, refuses to give up her incredibly dangerous eating habits, ignoring all doctors' warnings.

The 5ft 2in mother, who now requires a mobility scooter to go shopping, wears XXXXXXXXL dresses and tries to move as little as possible to prevent her from burning any precious calories.—Internet



A visitor views a model of a building at the Green Building Conference and Exhibition in Johannesburg, South Africa, 13 July, 2011. Some 1,000 people and 60 enterprises attended the event held from 13 to 14 July. XINHUA

Positive attitude key to ageing successfully

LONDON, 16 July — Aging successfully has been linked with a preference for positive, emotionally gratifying experiences.

New research published in *Biological Psychiatry* now explains how and when this "positivity effect" works in the brain.

German scientists studied this effect by using neuro imaging to evaluate brain engagement in young and old adults while

they performed a specialized cognitive task that included supposedly irrelevant pictures of either neutral, happy, sad or fearful faces. During parts of the task when they did not have to pay as much attention, the elderly subjects were significantly more distracted by the happy faces, according to a University Medical Centre statement.

When this occurred, they had increased engagement in the part of

the brain that helps control emotions. This stronger signal in the brain was correlated with those who showed the greatest emotional stability.

"We suggest that motivational goal-shifting in healthy aging leads to a self-regulated engagement in positive emotions even when this is not required by the setting," explains Stefanie Brassen, University Medical Centre, Hamburg, Germany, who led the study.—Internet



The Eiffel Tower is illuminated during the traditional Bastille Day fireworks display in Paris on 14 July, 2011.—XINHUA

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
THE UNION OF MYANMAR
MINISTRY OF ENERGY**

Dated: 8th July, 2011

**INVITATION FOR BIDS TO CONDUCT PETROLEUM
OPERATIONS IN MYANMAR ONSHORE AREAS (2011)**

1. The Ministry of Energy of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar hereby announces Invitation of Sealed Bids for Petroleum Operations to be conducted in Myanmar Onshore Areas on production sharing basis.

2. The following Onshore blocks are available for bidding in this bidding round:-

- (1) **PSC E** (Myingyan)
- (2) **PSC G** (Taungwingyi)
- (3) **PSC H** (Taung-Pyinmana)
- (4) **PSC I** (Hinhada)
- (5) **PSC J** (Mawlamyein)
- (6) **PSC K** (Yamethin)
- (7) **EP 1** (Kyaukkyi-Mindon)
- (8) **EP 2** (Aunglan)
- (9) **EP 5** (Inbin-Tegyigon)
- (10) **RSF 2** (Tuyintaung (Myaing South))
- (11) **RSF 3** (Gwegyo-Ngashadaung)
- (12) **RSF 9** (Pyalo-Paukkaung)
- (13) **RSF 10** (Kamma-Nattaung)
- (14) **MOGE 4** (Myintha)
- (15) **PSC S** (Lashio-Hsenwi)
- (16) **PSC T** (Lashio East)
- (17) **PSC U** (Kalaw)
- (18) **PSC V** (Loikaw)

3. All interested parties are cordially invited to submit "the Letter of Expression of Interest," together with

Company's Article of Association (AOA), Memorandum of Association (MOA), Certificate of Incorporation, latest Annual Report and latest Financial Statement (or) Financial Report, which are to be endorsed for authenticity by the respective Embassy of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar at the place of Company's registration (or) establishment or nearest, in sealed envelopes superscribed "**Confidential**" "**Myanmar Onshore Blocks Bidding Round-2011**", to the following addresses **not later than 23rd August 2011:-**

**Director General
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4. The petroleum operation shall be conducted on production sharing basis and the party(s), who desired to enter into the Production Sharing Contract with the Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise (MOGE) shall have technical competency, financial capability, experience, expertise and technical know how to conduct petroleum exploration and development works and must have good track record.

5. The potential bidders will then be selected and presented with General Geology of each Block and at the request will be shown with representative data and information of the Company's interested block(s) free of charge by Geological/Geophysical Team of Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise.

6. The Potential bidders will then be provided with Standard Terms and Conditions in order to submit proposal(s).

7. The potential bidders are allowed to submit up to

three (3) proposals for three (3) onshore blocks together with proposed Terms and Conditions. The proposal submitted shall be on a block by block basis.

8. The potential bidders' proposed Terms and Conditions will be assessed and the best offered Terms and Conditions will be selected for awarding.

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£161m Euromillions winner claims prize

LONDON, 16 July —The UK winner of the £161m Euromillions jackpot has claimed their prize, lottery operator Camelot has confirmed. It is not yet known if the ticket holder is an indi-

vidual or syndicate — or whether they will go public. If the winner is a single player, they would instantly be placed 430th in this year's *Sunday Times Rich List*.

Tuesday's £161,653,000 prize was Europe's biggest-ever and was capped after a series of rollovers. It follows a £113m UK Euromillions win in October. The lucky winner of the £161m prize, who is said to be deciding whether or not to reveal their identity, successfully matched all five main numbers and both Lucky Stars. The numbers were 17, 19, 38, 42 and 45, and the Lucky Stars were 9 and 10. —*Internet*



The jackpot was capped at 185 million euros after a number of rollovers.—INTERNET

Gene link to 70% of hard-to-treat breast cancers

MASSACHUSETTS, 16 July—A gene has been linked to 70% of hard-to-treat breast cancers which are resistant to hormone therapies, in US research. The study published in *Nature* used a new technique which tested hundreds of genes at once, rather than one at a time. Scientists said there was "a lot of potential for significant impact" if drugs could be developed.

Cancer Research UK said it would be interesting to see where the study led. Hormones can force

tumour growth, so drugs which interfere with that process, such as tamoxifen and aromatase inhibitors, are used as treatments. Up to a third of breast cancers, however, are not hormone driven, so these drugs do not work and there are fewer treatments available for these patients.

The researchers at the Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research, Massachusetts, used **Some breast cancers are much harder to treat.**

INTERNET

small, disruptive, snippets of genetic material which can turn off genes. They injected cancerous cells with the snippets to investigate which genes were necessary for tumour formation and growth.

Internet



HIV medicines 'boost prevention'



The HIV drug tenofovir.—INTERNET

WASHINGTON, 16 July—HIV drugs can be used to boost protection against HIV as well as treating symptoms after infection, research suggests. Two studies in Africa add weight to previous data showing drugs used to treat HIV can reduce infection risk when taken daily. The World Health Organization said the studies could have "enormous impact" in preventing HIV transmission.

The findings were revealed in the run-up to an AIDS conference in Rome.

"This is a major scientific breakthrough which re-confirms the essential role that antiretroviral medicine has to play in the AIDS response," said Michel Sidibé, executive director of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS). "These studies could help us to reach the tipping point in the HIV epidemic."

One trial, carried out by

the University of Washington, US, followed almost 5,000 couples in Kenya and Uganda, where one person had HIV infection and the other did not. The uninfected person took a daily HIV medicine (tenofovir), a combination of two HIV drugs (tenofovir and emtricitabine), or a placebo pill.

Internet

Height matters more than size for dispersing seeds

SYDNEY, 16 July—Plant height rather than seed mass is a better predictor of how far seeds will be dispersed, a study has shown.

The authors said they were surprised by the findings because it was assumed that lighter seeds would be carried further by the wind, water or animals.

However, the team found that plants of greater height—rather than those of reduced seed size—recorded greater dispersal distances. The findings



Height matters more than size in the plant world when it comes to dispersing seeds.—INTERNET

will be published in the *Journal of Ecology*.

Internet

Cameras were recording while being stolen

British police said a man who spent 4 hours stealing security cameras from a building apparently did not realize the cameras were filming his crime.

Police in Bradford, England, said the man broke into the former Lister Arms pub on Manchester Road at about 4 am Sunday and spent 4 hours unscrewing four CCTV cameras from the walls, the *Bradford Telegraph* and *Argus* reported Thursday. Investigators said the man apparently didn't realize the cameras were filming as he was removing them from the wall. Police said they arrested a 22-year-old man Wednesday in the thefts.



A man works on a sand sculpture titled "Maestro Paganini" by sculptors Sergey Tselebrovsky and Sergey Zaplatin at the Festival of Sand Sculptures 2011 under the topic "Masterpieces of World Culture" at a beach near the Peter and Pawel Fortress in St Petersburg on 14 July, 2011. More than 30 teams from different countries took part in the annual festival, according to the organizers.

Fifty-year-old love letter arrives at school

Officials at a Pennsylvania college said a love letter mailed to a student more than 50 years ago has finally arrived at the school.

Christine Kindl, a spokeswoman for California University of Pennsylvania, formerly known as California State Teachers College, said a letter intended for a student named Clark C Moore arrived at the school Friday after being

mailed 20 Feb, 1958, the *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* reported Thursday.

Kindl said the letter was mailed from Pittsburgh and is signed "Love Forever, Vonnie."

"It's the most interesting thing I've come across in 22 years of working mail. I see a lot of students' mail, but nothing like this," said Connie Morris, mail-room supervisor for the school.

Officials said they

attempted to find Moore, who would be in his 70s, using files and Web sites including Facebook, but they were unable to track him down.

"We've tried to find him, but we don't have a record of him in our alumni records," Kindl said.

Postal Service officials said they are trying to determine how the letter wound up in the mail stream instead of the dead letter file.

News Album

Penguin recovering from New Zealand swim

Staff at a New Zealand zoo said an emperor penguin famous for swimming to the country from Antarctica is recovering after eating sand on a beach. The Wellington Zoo said the penguin, dubbed Happy Feet after the 2006 film of the same name, became ill after eating sand at Peka Peka beach last month, the *Dominion Post* reported Thursday. Kate Baker, a spokeswoman for the zoo, said Happy Feet has been recovering well since having his stomach pumped and is now on the road to recovery, having gained 5.7 pounds since his rescue.

Baker said Happy Feet, the first penguin to make the swim from Antarctica to New Zealand in 44 years, is being kept in the dark to emulate the Antarctic winter days. The spokeswoman said experts are formulating a plan to return the penguin to Antarctica once his recovery is complete.



Two adult baboons (*Papio hamadryas*) play with a baby baboon in the Cali zoo on 14 July, 2011.

Ford ponders death of Indiana Jones



Hollywood actor Harrison Ford

LOS ANGELES, 16 July—Hollywood actor Harrison Ford says there are no concrete plans for a fifth Indiana Jones movie, but if there were he wouldn't mind if his character died in

it.F.W.con said Ford made the remarks while promoting his upcoming science-fiction western "Cowboys and Aliens."

Asked what fate he would like to befall his iconic character Indiana Jones, the actor told the celebrity news Web site, "I always want my characters to die."

"I thought Han Solo should have died at the end of the last 'Star Wars' movie, just because it seemed right for the character. And I'd be happy to make another Indiana Jones movie—but at this point it's all just rumours," he told EW.com.—*Internet*



Kate Winslet

Kate Winslet's 'Mildred Pierce' leads Emmys with 21 nominations

LONDON, 16 July—Kate Winslet's TV drama 'Mildred Pierce' is leading the US Emmy awards race this year with 21 nominations.

Winslet will also be expecting a victory over fellow nominees *Downton Abbey*'s Elizabeth McGovern and Jean Marsh in the best actress in a mini-series category, reports the *BBC*.

The 36-year-old Oscar winning actress played the role of a divorced single mother in the drama, who decides to open a restaurant business during the 1930s Depression-era in California.

Competing with *Mildred Pierce* are 'Mad Men' with 19 nominations and 'Boardwalk Empire' with 18.

Other leading nominees include 'Saturday Night Live' with 16, and 'Game of Thrones' and '30 Rock' with 13 nominations each.—*Internet*

I have no desire to look younger

LONDON, 16 July—Actress Kim Cattrall, 54, says she would rather appear "healthy" and of her own age as she has no desire to look younger.

"I had a great time in

my youth and still feel very youthful, but I have no desire to look as though I'm 20. I want to look healthy, but I want to look closer to my age," contactmusic.com quoted Cattrall as saying.

The actress, best known for playing Samantha Jones in "Sex and the City", also admits that she "doesn't believe" in cosmetic surgery.

"I don't believe in



Actress Kim Cattrall

cosmetic surgery, well, not yet. I'd be too frightened. There are so many examples of things that have gone horribly wrong. I live in New York in an area where it is all around me," she said.

Internet

Jennifer Lopez to turn men who tow away illegally parked cars into TV stars



Jennifer Lopez

WASHINGTON, 16 July—Jennifer Lopez is set to turn men working for a towing company in Miami, Florida into TV stars. Lopez, 41, is the producer of new reality TV series 'South Beach Tow', which debuts in America next week. The programme revolves around Robert Ashenoff and his family towing company, which impounds cars parked illegally all over the city.

"We shot a teaser reel on the family, I showed it to her, and she loved them," Contactmusic quoted executive producer Simon Fields, who came across the firm when employees towed his car, as saying.

Internet



Canadian singer Nikki Yanofsky performs during a show organized by US music producer Quincy Jones at the 45th Montreux Jazz Festival on 13 July, 2011.

INTERNET

SPORTS

Atletico face Stromsgodset in Europa League

MADRID, 16 July—The 2010 Europa League winners Atletico Madrid will be confident of reaching the play-off round after being drawn against Norwegian side Stromsgodset in the third qualifying round on Friday. Atletico, who finished seventh in Spain's Liga last season, will be meeting a side with limited experience in Europe. Stromsgodset's last appearance came in the 1998-99 UEFA Cup, when they went out in the first round, but they are best known for losing 11-0 to Liverpool at Anfield in 1974-75.

If they can overturn a 2-1 deficit from their first leg at Welsh side Llanelli, the 1981 Cup Winners' Cup winners Dinamo Tbilisi are likely to face the Icelandic side KR Reykjavik, who lead Zilina 3-0 after the first leg. Stoke City, runners-up to Manchester City in the FA Cup, return to European competition for the first time since 1974 and will meet Hajduk Split, with the Croatians hoping to mark their centenary celebrations with a good run in Europe.

Internet



Benfica's supporters celebrate a goal during a match in February 2011. Portuguese giants Benfica face an intriguing Champions League third qualifying round tie after being drawn on Friday against the Turkish side Trabzonspor.—INTERNET

Benfica face intriguing Champions League opener

LISBON, 16 July—Portuguese giants Benfica face an intriguing Champions League third qualifying round tie after being drawn on Friday against the Turkish side Trabzonspor. Trabzonspor, who finished runners-up in Turkey last season, have been implicated in a massive match-fixing scandal that has also taken in champions Besiktas and another of the country's biggest clubs, Fenerbahce.—Internet



England's Tom Lewis

Amateur Tom Lewis eyes top 15 at British Open

SANDWICH, 16 July—A day after making history, Tom Lewis was content just to make the cut. Playing with Tom Watson—the golfing great Lewis was named after—the 20-year-old Englishman had the lowest score by any amateur at a British Open. That gave him a

share of the first-round lead with a 5-under 65 on Thursday.

After a night's sleep disturbed by about 80 congratulatory text messages, Lewis was back on the links course at Royal St. George's for Friday's second round.

This day proved a little more troublesome. He shot a 74 to drop back into the pack at 1 under, but he'll still be around for the weekend, unlike many leading names in the 156-player field.—Internet

Frenzy of attention adds to pressure for Americans

FRANKFURT, 16 July—A week ago, there were so few people following the Americans they could hold their daily media sessions around a small table in their hotel lobby. Now they need an entire ballroom. The frenzy of attention

surrounding the US women ahead of Sunday's final against Japan is something they've never experienced before, and it has the potential to fire them up—or heap even more pressure on what is already the biggest game of their careers.

"I don't think it's a distraction," goalkeeper Hope Solo said. "We've had the mentality from day one that we came here for one reason. Our one and only goal was to win this tournament, and I think people are staying pretty true to that." But the challenge gets bigger with each day.—Internet



United States head coach Pia Sundhage, left, high fives midfielder Heather O'Reilly during a training session in preparation for the final match against Japan during the Women's Soccer World Cup in Frankfurt, Germany.

INTERNET

Downing completes Liverpool switch

LONDON, 16 July—England winger Stewart Downing completed his £20 million (\$32 million) transfer from Aston Villa to Liverpool on Friday after passing a medical, the Anfield giants announced. The 26-year-old, who has played 27 times for England,

becomes Liverpool manager Kenny Dalglish's fourth major signing of the summer following Jordan Henderson, Charlie Adam and Alexander Doni. "It's a great feeling and I'm very happy to be here," Downing told www.liverpoolfc.tv. "It's been a long time coming and I've had to wait a few weeks, but I'm really pleased to be here. "With the tradition, the manager and the players they have here, there was a big temptation to come and once I knew of their interest, there was only one place I wanted to go."—Internet



England winger Stewart Downing

More British Open magic from Tom Watson

SANDWICH, 16 July—Tom Watson has aced the 178-yard sixth hole in the British Open, his 4-iron shot bouncing once on the green and dropping into the cup in the second round on Friday. The 61-year-old Watson, a five-time British Open winner, threw both arms in the air,

high-fived playing partner Henrik Stenson, shook hands with amateur Tom Lewis and took a bow for the cheering crowd.

Internet

Tom Watson of the US reacts at the 6th tee after his hole in one during the second day of the British Open Golf Championship at Royal St George's golf course Sandwich, England, on Friday.—INTERNET



Phelps says racing Thorpe will be 'super fun'

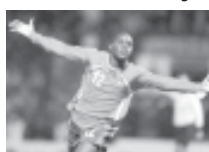


US swimmer Michael Phelps trains at the Gold Coast Aquatic Centre on the Gold Coast, Australia.—INTERNET

GOLD COAST, 16 July—Michael Phelps was still getting over a mild slump when he heard Ian Thorpe

was planning a comeback for the London Olympics. The 14-time Olympic gold medalist freely admits he hates to lose. So news of the Australian's return couldn't have come as any better motivation for training. Thorpe, who dominated swimming immediately before Phelps took the sport to unprecedented levels, beat his rival in an exhilarating 200-meter freestyle final at the 2004 Olympics.—Internet

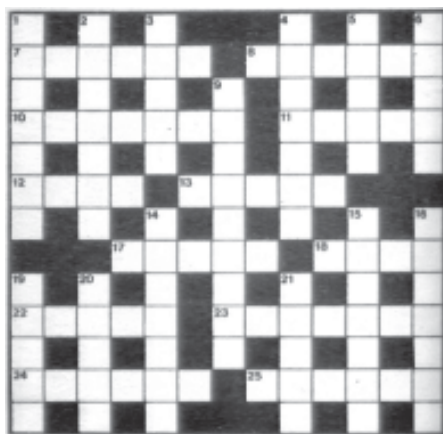
Arsenal eye Costa Rica striker Campbell



Costa Rican forward Joel Campbell

LONDON, 16 July—Premier League giants Arsenal are keen on signing promising 19-year-old Costa Rica striker Joel Campbell, local media reported on Friday. The daily Al Dia said that the London club's scout for the Concacaf region, Richard Law, had arrived in the Central American country accompanied by the agent Joaquim Batista, supposedly with the aim of sealing a deal for Campbell, who plays for Deportivo Saprissa in San Jose.—Internet

CROSSWORDS PUZZLE



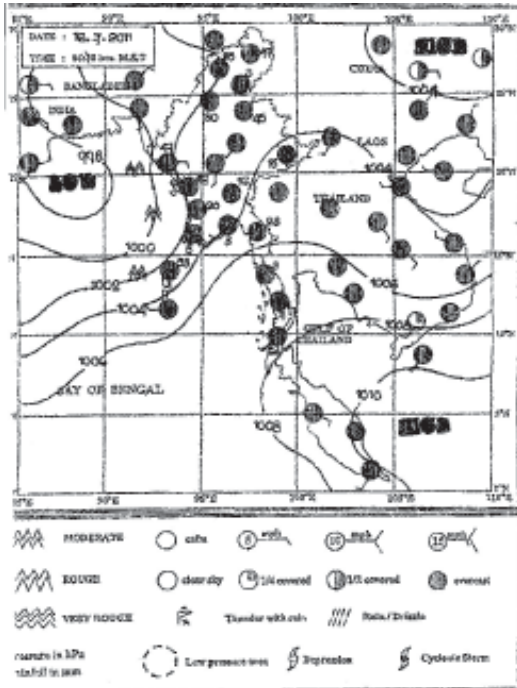
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- 7 Harvester
- 8 Croaking
- 10 Let free
- 11 Group of trees
- 12 River
- 13 Small fish
- 17 Large box
- 18 Satellite
- 22 Principality
- 23 Home shoe
- 24 Flagstones
- 25 Small basket

DOWN

- 1 Highland pouch
- 2 Shell fish
- 3 Exclude
- 4 Hide
- 5 Vine fruit
- 6 Postpone
- 9 Tyranny
- 14 Gift
- 15 Firm
- 16 Ungrateful person
- 19 Wild blow
- 20 Spice
- 21 Lacking

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas

Weather forecast for 17th July, 2011

Sr. No.	Regions/States	Temperature (°C/°F)		Forecast	
		Maximum	Minimum	For Tomorrow	Percent
1	Kachin	33/91	24/75	Widespread rain or thundershower	80%
2	Kayah	29/79	20/68	Scattered rain or thundershower	80%
3	Kayah	29/84	24/75	Widespread rain or thundershower	80%
4	Chin	22/72	14/57	Fairly widespread rain or thundershower	80%
5	Upper Sagaing	30/86	23/73	Fairly widespread rain or thundershower	80%
6	Lower Sagaing	38/100	25/77	Scattered rain or thundershower	80%
7	Tanintharyi	29/84	24/75	Widespread rain or thundershower	80%
8	Bago	28/82	22/72	Fairly widespread rain or thundershower	80%
9	Magway	33/93	26/79	Scattered rain or thundershower	80%
10	Mandalay	34/93	27/81	Widespread rain or thundershower	80%
11	Mon	29/84	24/75	Widespread rain or thundershower	80%
12	Yangon	32/90	24/75	Widespread rain or thundershower	80%
13	Rakhine	29/84	23/73	Widespread rain or thundershower	80%
14	Southern Shan	21/70	18/64	Fairly widespread rain or thundershower	80%
15	Northern Shan	28/82	22/72	Fairly widespread rain or thundershower	80%
16	Eastern Shan	29/84	22/72	Fairly widespread rain or thundershower	80%
17	Ayeyawady	30/86	24/75	Fairly widespread rain or thundershower	80%
18	Neighbouring Nay Pyi Taw	32/90	24/73	One or two rain or thundershower	80%
19	Neighbouring Yangon	32/90	24/73	One or two rain or thundershower	80%
20	Neighbouring Mandalay	34/93	27/81	Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershower	60%

During the past (24) hours rain or thundershowers have been scattered in Mandalay Region, and Kayah State, fairly widespread in Lower Sagaing, Magway and Ayeyawady Regions, Kayah States and widespread in the remaining Regions and States with regionally heavy falls in Lower Sagaing Region and isolated heavy falls in Lower Sagaing Region and Mon State. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded Thinzayat (3.03) inches, Kyaukpadaung and Kawthoung (2.64) inches each, Gantagaw (2.56) inches, Pyapon (2.37) inches, Mohayin (2.32) inches, Chaungzon (2.16) inches, Gwa and Cocogun (2.12) inches each and Moutywa (1.49) inches.

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

State of the Sea: Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at times Deltaic, Gulf of Mottama, off and along Mon-Tanintharyi Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35 to 40) mph. Seas will be moderate elsewhere in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of increase of rain in Myanmar areas.

10-woman Sweden beats France 2-1 in third-place game at Women's World Cup



Sweden players dance in celebration of their first goal during the match for third place between France and Sweden at the Women's Soccer World Cup in Sinsheim, Germany, Saturday, on 16 July, 2011.
INTERNET

SINSHEIM, GERMANY, 16 July—Marie Hammarstrom scored in the 82nd minute to give 10-woman Sweden a 2-1 victory over France in the third-place game at the Women's World Cup.

After Josefine Oqvist was sent off in the 68th for hitting Sonia Bompastor in the chest, Sweden won a corner kick that was cleared off the near post.

But the ball caromed out to Hammarstrom, who touched it once, faking out a defender, and then a second time before letting fly with a thunderous left-footed blast.

It was Hammarstrom's first World Cup goal and her first ever for Sweden.



Sweden's midfielder Marie Hammarstrom (R) scores past France's defender Sonia Bompastor.
Internet



Sunday, 17 July View on today

7:00 am

1. Paritta By Venerable Mingun Sayadaw -Uppatathandi Paritta

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

8:00 am

6. Health Programme

8:10 am

7. (38)Phyar Mingalar

8:25 am

8. Musical Programme

8:40 am

9. International News

8:45 am

10. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competition

11:00 am

1. Martial Song

11:10 am

2. Musical Programme

11:25 am

3. Round Up of the Week's International News

11:35 am

4. TV Drama Series

12:35 pm

5. Golf Magazine (TV)

12:55 pm

6. Myanmar Movies

2:45 pm

7. International News

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Musical Programme

4:20 pm

3. Teleplay (Health)

4:45 pm

4. Song of National Races

4:50 pm

5. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures)

5:05 pm

6. Songs for Upholding National Spirit

5:10 pm

7. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competition

5:25 pm

8. Sing & Enjoy

6:00 pm

9. Evening News

6:15 pm

10. Weather Report

6:20 pm

11. Cartoon series

6:40 pm

12. Tamyethnar Takwetsar

7:00 pm

13. TV Drama Series

8:00 pm

14. News

8:00 pm

15. International News

16:00 pm

16. Weather Report

17:00 pm

17. Cartoon Series

18:00 pm

18. TV Drama Series

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (17-7-2011) (Sunday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	(09:00am ~ 11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission	(17-7-11 09:30 am ~ 18-7-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Myanmar Traditional Wedding Dressing Style

- * News
- * Myanmar Cultural Heritage from Kyar Paing Village
- * News
- * Youth of the future (Gravity) "Toe Wai"
- * News
- * Ruili City with Mon Yee

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- * News
- * Myanmar's Traditions and Culture "Myanmar's Secret Beautifier"
- * News
- * Melamu Ceti with various statues reflecting life of Buddha
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Myanmar's DHf Prevention activities Towards A Healthy Society
- * News
- * Myin Ma Hti Natural Cave
- * Myanmar Movies "As her real son"

- ★ 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

Hlinephone Model Village in Mawlamyinegyun Township sees sector-wise progress

Article: *Thein Zaw (Shweli Oo)*; Photos: *Mawgyun Soe Myint*



Hlinephone Bridge Project being implemented across Hlinephone Creek in Mawlamyinegyun Township.

It was a rainy day when we arrived at Mawlamyinegyun Port bustling with ships and motorboats and arrival and departure of passengers. We left the Mawlamyinegyun busy port for Hlinephone Model Village, taking three hours.

The motorboat entered Hlinephone Creek flanked by mangrove plantations and nipa palms. After seeing Hlinephone Forest Office on the bank of creek, we

arrived in the area of Hlinephone.

A passenger youth said, "Hlinephone Bridge is under construction and it will be 620 feet long including 500 feet long main bridge and 13 feet wide. The 57-mile Mawgyun-Hlinephone-Kwinbauk-Pyinsalu motor road will be complete soon. On completion of bridge and road, we the local people can enjoy fruitful results."

(See page 9)

Routes to Mausoleum on Martyr's Day

NAY PYI TAW, 16 July — The 64th Martyr's Day Ceremony starts at 8 am on 19 July at Mausoleum in Yangon.

Starting from 6 pm 18 July to 10 am 19 July, West Shwegondine street will be closed temporarily from the junction with U Wisara street to No. (1) West Shwegondine lane and Martyr street, from West Shwegondine street to eastern archway of Shwedagon Pagoda. No passage will be allowed Brick steps from the West Shwegondine street and route by Kyaukse Dhammayon at that moment.

The Mausoleum will open to public from 10 am to 4 pm on that day. Those who will pay tribute to the martyrs there are to enter the Mausoleum from Gate No. (1) at the junction of West Shwegondine street and Martyr street through West Shwegondine street, and to exit from Gate No. (2) to eastern arch way of Shwedagon Pagoda along Martyr street.

Authorities requested potential visitors to cooperate in conducting security measures at entrance and exit and to use the designated routes.— MNA

Noteworthy amounts of rainfall (16-7-2011)

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