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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

President U Thein Sein sends message of felicitations to Maldives counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 26 July—On the occasion of the 46th Anniversary of the Independence Day of the Republic of Maldives which falls on 26th July 2011, U Thein Sein, President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Mohamed Nasheed, President of the Republic of Maldives.—MNA

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.

Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham and wife Daw Nan Shwe Hmon attend Waso robe-offering ceremony

NAY PYI TAW, 25 July — Vice-President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Dr Sai Mauk Kham and wife Daw Nan Shwe Hmon attended the Waso robe-offering ceremony at Maha Atulawaiyan (Atumashi) Monastery in Aungmyethazan Township, Mandalay yesterday.

It was also attended by members of the Sangha led by State Ovadacariya Sayadaws Presiding Sayadaw of Waso Monastery of Maha Withuddayon Taikthit in Mahaaungmye Township Shwekyin Maha Raza Abhidhaja Maharahttaguru Abhidhaja Agga Maha Saddhammajotika Bhaddanta Aggiya and Presiding Sayadaw of Shwe Wah Win Monastery of Myataung Taik Abhidhaja Maharahttaguru Abhidhaja

Agga Maha Saddhammajotika Bhaddanta Sasanabhivamsa and Vice-Chairman of State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Presiding Sayadaw of Nikayanayupadetha Monastery of Masoyein Taik Agga Maha Pandita Bhaddanta Tejosarabhivamsa, the Union ministers, the Chief Minister of Mandalay Region, the deputy ministers, members of Region level institutions, departmental officials, members of religious associations and guests.

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Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham and wife Daw Nan Shwe Hmon offer Waso robe and provisions to Sayadaw Bhaddanta Aggiya.

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Service personnel to abstain from bribery and corruption in putting into reality the President's guideline of being a clean government



NAY PYI TAW, 25 July—Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham, accompanied by Union Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung, Union Minister

for Cooperatives U Ohn Myint, Union Minister for Hotels and Tourism U Tint Hsan, Union Minister for

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Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham meets Chief Minister and region ministers at Yuzana hall of MCDC.—MNA

PERSPECTIVES

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Preserve cultural heritages for durability

Myanmar civilization has existed for thousands of years. Since residents of the land later known as Myanmar formed into national races, cultural traditions have improved gradually. Edifices of cultural heritage and artifacts excavated across the nation suggest high civilization of Myanmar.

The government has been doing archaeological research and unearthing and preserving edifices and objects of cultural heritage in a systematic way which cannot survive ravages of times for a long time without maintenance.

In that case, it has been excavating archaeological sites in search of historical objectives such as stone tablets, palm-leaf manuscripts and paper parchments, and renovating archaeological and religious edifices.

Among the sites is Bagan, a region of thousands of pagodas and temples where there are large varieties of artistic works of the 10 traditional arts and crafts including wall paintings, ink inscriptions, stone inscriptions, bell inscriptions and floral arabesques.

Bagan Archaeological Region fills the nation and the people with national pride and integrity. Archaeological edifices and artistic handicrafts of cultural heritage in the region really put Myanmar on the map. Therefore, the region has a steady stream of foreign tourists.

Now, some archaeological buildings in Bagan that are going to rack and ruin due to ravages of times and weather are under renovation without sacrificing their original styles. The people especially responsible service personnel and dwellers are urged to maintain cultural heritages for their durability.



Joint Secretary Dr Aung Win Maung and member U Myint Aung of Myanmar Industrialists Association at Yangon International Airport on 24 July before their departure for Bangkok, Thailand, to attend The 8th Asia-Pacific Business Forum (APBF) and The First Pacific Trade & Investment Fair.—NLM

PEOPLES' DESIRE

- * Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views
- * Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation
- * Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State
- * Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy

Myanmar, India plan to boost agricultural sector development and technological support for research works

NAY PYI TAW, 25 July — Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing received Indian agriculturalists led by Professor Dr M S Swaminathan and Indian Ambassador to Myanmar Dr Villur Sundararajan Seshadri at his office here this morning.

They held discussions on bilateral cooperation in development of agricultural sector and technological support for conducting agricultural researches.

In the afternoon, a party comprising departmental heads, agriculturalists and the rector led by Deputy Minister U Ohn Than met Professor Dr M S

Union Foreign Minister felicitates Maldives counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 26 July—On the occasion of the 46th Anniversary of the Independence Day of the Republic of Maldives which falls on 26th July 2011, U Wunna Maung Lwin, Union Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Ahmed Naseem, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Maldives.—MNA

Swaminathan and Indian agriculturalists at the meeting hall of the ministry.

They discussed matters related to development of agricultural technology and boosting of agricultural produce between the two countries.

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Union Minister at President Office receives ROK guests

NAY PYI TAW, 25 July — Union Minister at the President Office U Soe Maung received Chairman Dr Sumual In of Hana International Inc and party of the Republic of Korea at the minister's office here this afternoon.

They discussed matters related to production of renewable energy for industrial development works in port area, improving job opportunities for local workers, technological exchange,



civil engineering and bilateral relations.

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Union Minister at the President Office U Soe Maung receives Chairman Dr Sumual In of Hana International Inc.—MNA

Application for formation of political party scrutinized

NAY PYI TAW, 25 July — Those wishing to set up political parties are applying their applications to the Union Election Commission.

On 12 July, the Party for Unity and Peace formed with 16 persons inclusive of U Ohn Lwin submitted the application to form as a political party.

Regarding the application, the UEC is coordinating with ministries concerned to find those of the application-submitted party are in accord with the provisions of Article-4 and Article-5 of Political Parties Registration Law.—MNA

About ACU System on 28 July

YANGON, 25 July—Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry and the Central Bank of Myanmar will jointly organize workshop on use of ACU system of Asian Clearing Union at RUMFCCI Federation on Minyekyawswar Street here on 28 July.

Personnel of Central Bank of Myanmar, Myanmar Foreign Trade Bank, Myanmar Investment and Commercial Bank, Myanmar Economic Bank will discuss on use of ACU system among ACU member countries. Businessman wishing to attend the workshop may register calling Ph:214344~49 by 27 July.—MNA

Iraqi forces arrest 16 suspected al-Qaeda members

BAGHDAD, 25 July—Iraqi security forces have arrested 16 suspected al-Qaeda members accused of being behind more than 100 killings in the capital, a senior security official said Sunday.

General Ahmed Abu Ragheef, the Interior Ministry's head of internal affairs, accused the men of carrying out the high-profile assassination in May of Ali al-Lami, a senior Iraqi politician who helped purge members of Saddam Hussein's banned Baath party from politics after the 2003 US-led invasion. Militants have stepped up attacks, specifically targeting police and army officers, to try to destabilise the government as US troops prepare to leave by the

end of December, more than eight years after the toppling of Saddam Hussein.

"We managed to arrest the terrorist group that was responsible for the recent assassinations in Baghdad," Ragheef told reporters at a news Conference.

Ragheef said the entire operation to arrest the 16 men, including the cell's leader, had taken security forces 20 days.

He said security forces had also uncovered the cell's main weapons cache and a factory in southern Baghdad where silenced guns and sticky bombs were being manufactured.

Reuters

Car accidents kill 11 in Argentina



Rescue team and policemen inspect the car accident site in Las Flores, Argentina, on 24 July, 2011.—XINHUA

BUENOS AIRES, 25 July—At least 11 people were killed and 24 others injured on Sunday in a multiple collision among seven cars that circulated in national route 3 in Las Flores about 150 kilometres northeast of capital Buenos Aires,

local police said.

The police confirmed the deaths and said that 10 of the injured were sent to different public hospitals in the area for treatment and others were sent to their homes.

The police, who are

investigating the accident, said that due to a dense fog, five medium cars, a van and a bus were hard to moving on and were involved in the accident.

The police department Chief Juan Carlos Paggi said that "a van collided with a bus and then the tragedy was happened," adding that "the injured people were sent to hospitals in General Belgrano, Las Floresy Monte and a little girl was sent to the Blue hospital."

The police said the traffic is still not resumed despite workers are cleaning the area after the accidents.—Xinhua

NATO helicopter crashes in E Afghanistan

KABUL, 25 July—A NATO helicopter crashed on Monday in eastern Afghanistan, the military alliance said.

"An International Security Assistance Force helicopter crashed in eastern Afghanistan today," said a statement issued by NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) here. As coalition rescue forces approached the crash site, they came under enemy fire, the statement added.

"Coalition forces returned fire, with small arms, while working to secure the site of the crash. All passengers and crew members have been secured and safely transported to a nearby base," according to statement.

The statement did not give more details, only saying that ISAF is currently assessing the incident to determine further facts. Meantime, an Afghan police official in eastern Kunar Province who declined to be named said that chopper crashed in Manogai District of eastern Kunar Province in the wee hours on Monday.—MNA/Xinhua



Soldiers stand by a burned out military vehicle at the site of an attack in Aden, Yemen, on 24 July, 2011.

A suicide attacker driving a pickup truck packed with explosives blew himself up outside an army camp in Yemen's coastal city of Aden on Sunday, killing at least eight army soldiers and wounding dozens, security officials said.

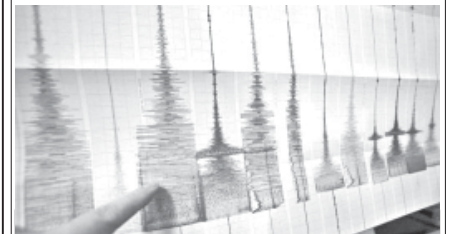
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6.2-magnitude quake hits Japan's Fukushima Prefecture

TOKYO, 25 July—An earthquake measuring 6.2 on the Richter scale jolted Japan's northeastern Fukushima Prefecture and its vicinity on early Monday Morning, said the Japan Meteorological Agency.

The focus of the quake, which occurred at 03:51 am local time was located some 40 km under the sea off Fukushima, said the agency.

There were no immediate reports of casualties or damage to properties, and no tsunami warning was issued. Tremors were felt in Tokyo, about 240 kilometres away from the prefecture. There was no immediate reports of abnormalities from the quake by the operator of the crippled Fukushima No1 nuclear power plant.—Xinhua



A man points out the markings of seismological activity at an earthquake monitoring facility.—INTERNET

NATO admits five children wounded in air strike

KABUL, 25 July—NATO's force in Afghanistan admitted Monday that one of its helicopters had accidentally wounded five children in the southern Province of Helmand.

"A known militant was targeted by a coalition helicopter. As a result of the engagement five local children were regrettably injured," the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) said in a statement.

The wounded were evacuated to an ISAF

medical centre and were being treated, it said, adding that it was continuing to investigate the incident that occurred on Saturday in the Nahr-i-Saraj District.

Helmand, a Taleban stronghold, is the deadliest Province for coalition forces fighting the nearly decade-long militancy.

Civilian casualties of NATO operations are a sensitive issue in Afghanistan, where nearly a decade of foreign military action has fuelled resentment against the Western-

backed President Hamid Karzai and his NATO allies.

Violence is at a record-high in the war,



with more than 1,400 Afghan civilians killed in the conflict this year, up 15 percent on the first

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half of 2010, according to a recently released United Nations report.

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Papua New Guinea rattled by 6.3 quake

PORT MORESBY, 25 July—The Pacific island nation of Papua New Guinea was rattled by a powerful 6.3-magnitude earthquake Monday, but seismologists said the tremor was unlikely to have caused major damage in the remote area.

Geoscience Australia measured the quake at magnitude 6.3 and said it occurred at a depth of 39 kilometres (24 miles) in the New Ireland region known for earthquake and volcanic activity.

"There would have been plenty of shaking there and there could have been some damage pretty close by, but these northern islands are pretty sparsely populated," Geoscience Australia seismologist Hugh Glanville said.

"Being under 6.5, we don't issue tsunami warnings."

The United States Geological Survey put the quake at 6.2 magnitude and said it struck about 201 kilometres (124 miles) northwest of New Britain's township of Rabaul and 794 kilometres (492 miles) from national capital Port Moresby.—Internet



Fool's gold yields clues about early Earth

EDINBURGH, 25 July — Scottish scientists say pyrite, often called fool's gold, is yielding insights into a turning point that took place billions of years ago in Earth's evolution. Researchers at the University of Edinburgh are recreating ancient forms of the mineral — dubbed fool's gold for its metallic luster — that reveal details of past geological events.

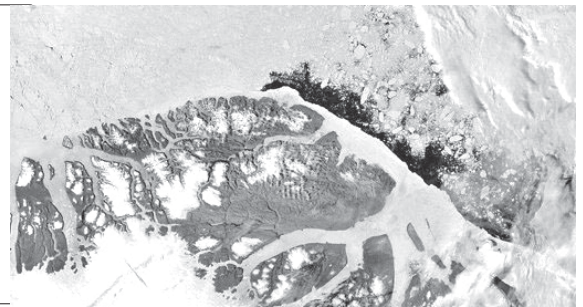
Detailed analysis of the mineral is giving fresh insight into the composition of Earth before what is called the Great Oxygenation Event, 2.4 billion years ago, when oxygen released by early forms of bacteria gave rise to new forms of plant and animal life, transforming Earth's oceans and atmosphere, a university release said Friday. "Technology allows us to trace scientific processes that we can't see from examining the mineral composition alone, to understand how compounds were formed," research leader Ian Butler said. This enables better understanding of geological conditions at the time and how the oceans and atmosphere evolved, he said.—*Internet*



The size of a pyrite rock containing 5-10 percent gold is shown while held in an employee's hands at the Argo gold mine in Idaho Springs, Colorado on 12 May, 2011.—INTERNET

Broken ice floats in the Arctic Ocean off the northern coast of Greenland in 2004. "Dirty Dozen" chemicals, including the notoriously toxic DDT, are being freed from Arctic sea ice and snow through global warming, a study published on Sunday suggested.

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Has warming put 'Dirty Dozen' pollutants back in the saddle?

TORONTO, 25 July—"Dirty Dozen" chemicals, including the notoriously toxic DDT, are being freed from Arctic sea ice and snow through global warming, a study published on Sunday suggested.

The "Dirty Dozen" — formally known as persistent organic pollutants (POPs) — were widely used as insecticides and pesticides before being outlawed in 2001. They are extremely tough molecules that take decades to break down in nature. They also bio-accumulate, meaning that as they pass up the food chain, concentrations rise, posing a fertility threat to higher species. In addition, they are insoluble in water and easily volatilise, so can swiftly transit from soil and water to the atmosphere in response to higher temperatures.

The study, published in the scientific journal *Nature Climate Change*, looked at atmospheric concentrations of three chemicals — DDT, HCH and

cis-chlordane — monitored between 1993 and 2009 at a station in Norway's Svalbard Islands and at another in the Canadian Arctic. The scientists indeed found a long-term downward trend in primary emissions after the Stockholm Convention banned production and trade in the "Dirty Dozen." But a more complex and disturbing picture emerged when the same data was crunched through a simulation of the effect of global warming on POP concentrations.

It found a slight rise in secondary emissions, from POPs that had been locked in Arctic ice and snow but were now being gradually released because of warming. "A wide range of POPs have been remobilised into the Arctic atmosphere over the past two decades as a result of climate change," said the study, led by Jianmin Ma of the agency Environment Canada in Toronto.

Internet



Symantec vaults above \$22 as Android mobile security market booms

WASHINGTON, 25 July—Symantec is the largest maker of security software for computers. Norton Antivirus software is a major revenue driver for the company and comprises almost 34% of the Trefis price estimate for Symantec.

Norton Antivirus has traditionally had the largest market share in the computer security market

and currently holds close to 45% market share, which is expected to decline to 42% by the end of Trefis forecast period. It competes with McAfee, which was acquired by Intel, and against companies like AVG, TrendMicro and Kaspersky Labs.

The overall security software market is expected to increase to

almost \$6 billion by the end of the forecast period. We currently have a \$21.50 price estimate for Symantec, which is almost 10% above the current market price.

The mobile market, especially smartphones, has surged in the last couple of years. Android is now on almost 130 million devices with manufacturers adopting it at an increasing rate, thanks to its open nature. However, the same openness has seen malware attacks on the Android platform increase by over 400% over the last year. Symantec had launched a free beta version of Norton Mobile Security for Android last year. It will soon launch the final version in the Android Market.

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Symantec Vaults Above \$22 As Android Mobile Security Market Booms.—INTERNET



A sample of a "shanzhai" or imitated reproduction of iPad running Microsoft Windows is seen inside a computer shopping mall in Shenzhen.

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T-Mobile offers iPhone users Micro SIM card to access service

NEW YORK, 25 July—T-Mobile this week began offering a Micro SIM card that lets iPhone users access the network.

The card, available here, carries a \$9.99 suggested retail price, but is free with a two-year contract with the carrier. iPhone users have been able to access T-Mobile with an unlocked iPhone since June.

Roger Entner, an analyst with Recon Analytics, says iPhone users can access T-Mobile by getting a normal SIM card cut to a Micro SIM card at phone shops.

iPhone users on T-Mobile don't get access to a 3G network and can't use Apple's visual voicemail. Despite those limitations, T-Mobile claims to have more than 1 million iPhone users

on its network.

Meanwhile, AT&T is in the process of purchasing T-Mobile. Even if that comes to pass, T-Mobile promises to offer the same plans it does now — rather than AT&T's service plans — for a year or so. Piper Jaffray analyst Chris Larson also said earlier this month that the iPhone 5 will be available to T-Mobile and Sprint.

Internet



Health



'Skipping' drug marks step forward for muscular dystrophy

LONDON, 25 July—An experimental drug designed to fit a DNA patch in a flawed gene has cleared an important hurdle in tests on boys struck by a tragic muscle-wasting disease, a British study said on Monday.

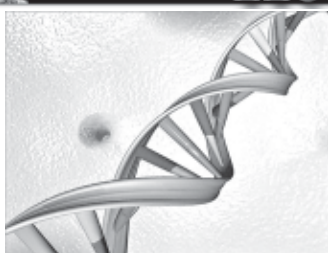
The condition, Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD), occurs among roughly 1 in 3,500 males.

It occurs because of a deletion in a gene that makes a protein called dystrophin, which helps provide a protective membrane around muscle fibres. Without this skin, muscle fibres become damaged and eventually die.

By the time they are aged eight to 12, boys with DMD become unable to walk and usually face a shortened life expectancy.

In DMD, the problem lies specifically in sections of DNA called exons that, like stepping stones, provide the pathway by which the gene makes dystrophin.

The new drug takes the approach of "exon skipping," or applying a tiny molecular patch over the deletion, so that the gene can produce a shorter



This undated handout illustration shows the DNA double helix.

INTERNET

but still functional version of the protein.

After successful tests on muscle cells cultured in a lab dish and on mice, the therapy was cautiously tested for safety on 19 ambulatory patients aged five to 15 at hospitals in London and Newcastle.

Seven out the 19 showed a "significant" response, with levels of dystrophin rising to as much as 18 percent of normal levels.

The volunteers, who were treated over 12 weeks, suffered no side effects.

They did not show any major improvement in a standard six-minute walking test, although this was not the goal of the mini-trial.

The drug, called AVI-4658, patches exon 51, which is deleted in about 15 percent of patients with DMD.

Internet

4.5 million kids can't afford dental care

WASHINGTON, 25 July—About 4.5 million US children did not receive needed dental care in 2008 because their families could not afford it, an Institute of Medicine report says.

The majority of the US population routinely obtains oral healthcare in traditional dental practice settings, but dental care eludes many — including racial and ethnic minorities, older adults, pregnant women, poor people and rural populations, the report says.

The report concludes that the separation of oral healthcare from overall healthcare is a factor in limiting access to dental care for many Americans.

However, with proper training, non-dental healthcare professionals, such as nurses, pharmacists, physician assistants and physicians, could screen for oral diseases and deliver preventive care services, the report says.

Instead of having each profession develop its own set of

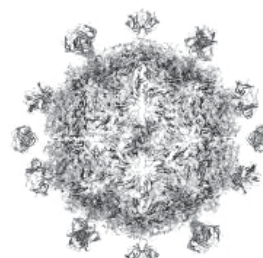
competencies, the committee recommends that the Health Resources and Services Administration convene key stakeholders to develop a core set of competencies that could apply to many non-dental health professions, the report says.

Over time, these competencies should be incorporated into certification testing and accreditation requirements to ensure adoption by health professional schools.

Internet

The spiky capsid shell of the astrovirus believed responsible for a form of juvenile diarrhea contains and protects single-strand RNA until it can be delivered to a cell.

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Business



Microsoft Adds Free Small Business Marketing Videos, eMarketingVids, to Zune Podcast Marketplace - San Diego, CA, 11 July, 2011.

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Ford: Don't expect any raises

DEARBORN, 25 July—Michigan-based Ford Motor Co, preparing to start negotiations with the United Auto Workers union, says workers shouldn't expect pay raises.

Mark Fields, Ford's president of the Americas, said workers shouldn't expect pay increases at a time when many of their neighbours remain unemployed, the *Detroit Free Press* reported.

Ford has made nearly \$12 billion in profits since the start of 2009,

even though it said its average labor costs are higher than its competitors. Hourly workers who received \$5,000 profit-sharing checks for 2010 were angry with the millions paid to top executives, the report said.

"We cannot afford to slip back into old habits," Fields told the *Free Press* as the Big Three automakers prepare for talks with labor union representatives.

Fields said Ford has the "wind at our back ...

I wouldn't trade our position for anything."

"Last year, the company did well and ... we paid about \$5,000 per hourly employee [in profit sharing] in a very difficult environment where their neighbors and friends otherwise are not working," Fields said.

Last week Ford held a lottery in Louisville, Ky, to trim a pool of nearly 17,000 applicants for 1,800 new jobs it will add to make the all-new Ford Escape in November.—Internet

Oil falls to near \$99 as US debt talks stall

SINGAPORE, 25 July—Oil prices fell to near \$99 a barrel Monday in Asia amid investor concern that the lack of an agreement among US lawmakers to raise the country's debt limit could trigger a default and damage the global economy.

Benchmark oil for September delivery was down 81 cents to \$99.06 a barrel at late afternoon Singapore time in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Crude rose 74 cents to settle at \$99.87 on Friday.

In London, Brent crude slid 60 cents to \$118.07 per barrel on the ICE Futures exchange.

Talks stalled during the weekend as an 2 Aug deadline looms for Congress to raise the government's \$14.3 trillion debt limit. Without

action by that date, the Treasury will be unable to pay all its bills, which could lead to a debt default and undermine the global economy.

"We believe that a last-minute stopgap deal will be reached, averting worst-case outcomes," Bank of America Merrill Lynch said in a report. "But it will fail to provide a credible long-term fiscal solution or lift rating agency concerns."

Bank of America said rating agencies will likely cut the US credit rating to AA from AAA by the end of the year. In other Nymex trading in September contracts, heating oil fell 2.0 cents to \$3.12 a gallon while gasoline slid 1.5 cents at \$3.08 a gallon. Natural gas futures for August delivery advanced 1.5 cents at \$4.41 per 1,000 cubic feet.—Internet



In this 2 July, 2011 file photo, Nissan car "Note" is seen at the Japanese automaker's Oppama plant in Yokosuka near Tokyo. Japan's automakers are reporting mixed vehicle production figures as the industry pushes toward recovery from the 11 March earthquake and tsunami.

INTERNET

Famine in Somalia is 'immoral': UN aid coordinator

ROME, 25 July—With the world scrambling to rescue 12 million people on the brink of starvation in the Horn of Africa, UN emergency official Cristina Amaral said the fact that children are dying of hunger is "immoral".

As head of emergency operations in Africa for the UN's Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), Amaral has been warning about the crisis facing the



A child plays with a toy car made from a plastic drinking bottle on the outskirts of Dagahaley refugee camp in Kenya's Dadaab refugee complex. With the world scrambling to rescue 12 million people on the brink of starvation in the Horn of Africa, UN emergency official Cristina Amaral said the fact that children are dying of hunger is "immoral".—INTERNET

drought-stricken region since November, after the rainy season failed. Now she says it's not enough for donor countries to stomp up some cash for immediate food aid — there needs to be long-term investment to help farmers resist droughts and international mediation to bring peace to war-torn Somalia.

"When we have a declaration of famine in the 21st century, we should consider this immoral," Amaral told AFP in an interview as she prepared for emergency talks at FAO in Rome on Monday aimed at coordinating the aid effort. Ministers, aid chiefs and charities are meeting to discuss ways of stepping up food supplies and delivering them to the epicentre of the famine in southern Somalia, much of which is under the control of militants. "Without access to south Somalia, we're only seeing the tip of the iceberg — those refugees arriving in Kenya and Ethiopia," Amaral said. "There are many more — we estimate 3.7 million — that need emergency assistance," she added.—Internet



Passengers line up at a security checkpoint operated by the TSA at Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport in Fort Lauderdale. INTERNET

US airlines fight prospect of higher security fees

WASHINGTON, 25 July—US airlines are fighting the prospect of sharply higher passenger security fees that could be part of any deficit-reduction plan. The approach is among a handful involving aviation that have swirled around the ever-changing complexion of efforts by Congress and the White House to avert a debt default.

While those proposals would cover only a fraction of any deficit remedy, they represent flashpoints in relations between industry and government over aviation policy. Business aircraft manufacturers, the powerful private pilot and aircraft owners association and, now, the biggest commercial airlines have in recent days aggressively lobbied issues around the debt talks that would

affect their members.

According to sources with knowledge of the talks and documents circulating on Capitol Hill, a proposal would double the security fee paid by airline passengers to raise at least \$15 billion over 10 years. The current maximum fee imposed on commercial flights is \$10 per round-trip ticket. Nicholas Calio, who as president of the Air Transport Association is the top lobbyist for commercial carriers, said any increase in security fees that would bump up ticket prices would be unacceptable.

"We should advance a tax policy that encourages air service to grow, not contract. Airlines are critical to the nation's economic health," he said.—Reuters

Bottled water poses dilemma for Vermont offices

MONTPELIER, (Vermont) 25 July—At the state maintenance garage where Lori Girard-Pion works, the water cooler isn't a luxury. It's a necessity, especially for the mechanics who maintain the Vermont State Police vehicle fleet.

So when the state of Vermont said it was doing away with bottled water deliveries for state government offices and buildings in favour of drinking water from the tap, she wasn't happy.

Without it, workers at the Colchester garage will have to get their drinking water from a bathroom wash tub where mechanics wash



In this 22 July, 2011 photo, Lori Girard-Pion stands by the water cooler at her state office in Colchester, Vt. Vermont state officials, who announced in March that they would pull the plug on water coolers and bottled water deliveries in state offices and buildings, are reconsidering the move amid a wave of complaints from workers.—INTERNET

their greasy hands, she says.

"Is that a lot to ask for?" Girard-Pion, an administrative assistant,

wrote in a complaint to the state last month. "I think we have good reasons to keep our water cooler." Turns out

kicking the bottle is harder than it looks. Now, state officials who touted the change as a way to go easy on the environment, save more than \$200,000 annually on water purchases and support municipal water systems are scrambling to salvage the plan. Workplace sanitation rules, tap water said to be smelly or visibly dirty and stiff opposition from employees insulted by the thought of having to provide their own water forced the administration of Gov Peter Shumlin to postpone the 1 July adoption of the new policy.

Internet

40 injured in Washington state hayride accident

SEATTLE, 25 July—Authorities say four people were hospitalized and 40 others sustained minor injuries in a hayride accident on Shaw Island.

The San Juan County Sheriff's Office says the accident happened Sunday morning when a flatbed trailer carrying about 50 people collided with the tractor that was pulling it and dumped the passengers on the road. Officials say the hayride

was part of a weekend retreat by at least two northwest Washington church youth groups at Our Lady of the Rock Monastery on the island.

The sheriff's office says in a statement that during the hayride, the tractor and attached trailer were driving downhill when the trailer gained momentum and the tractor jackknifed. Authorities say four people were airlifted to hospitals.

Internet

Group criticizes global forest protection effort

BANGKOK, 25 July—Participants in a global, landmark effort to save the world's shrinking forests are instead trading in illegally sourced timber and razing jungles in an area of Borneo island inhabited by endangered orangutans, a non-governmental organization said Monday. London-based Global Witness alleged in a report that some companies in Asia, Africa and Europe are allowed to reap benefits of associating with the World Wide Fund for Nature, which authored the project, while continuing to destroy forests and deal in illegally sourced timber.

The Switzerland-based WWF, one of the world's prominent environmental organizations, initiated the Global Forest and Trade Network 20 years ago to ensure that the increasing demand for wood is supplied by companies engaged in the legal, sustainable harvesting of forests.—Internet

23 Cambodian children die of dengue fever so far this year

PHNOM PENH, 25 July—Cambodia reported 4,626 cases of dengue fever which had claimed 23 Cambodian children lives so far this year, Ngan Chantha, director of dengue control at the Ministry of Health, said Monday.

"Most of them were under 5 of age," he said in a meeting on dengue fever prevention.

He said that to prevent the disease, the center has spent one million US dollars this year to buy Abate, a chemical substance, used to put in water pots and other still water sources to kill larvae, and distribute it free-of-charge to people in order to prevent the disease.

In Cambodia, dengue fever happens mostly in the rainy season from May to October. Last year, about 12,347 cases of dengue fever had been reported and killed 37 Cambodian children, he added.—MNA/Xinhua



A patient lies under a mosquito net in a ward for dengue fever sufferers, in the Barrio Obrero district hospital in Asuncion. INTERNET

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Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham...

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After receiving the Nine Precepts, Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham and wife Daw Nan Shwe Hmon offered Waso robes and provisions to the State Ovadacariya Shwekyin Maha Raza Waso Monastery Sayadaw.

Then the Union ministers, the chief minister and party presented Waso robes and offertories to members of the Sangha.

Next, the congregation received a sermon delivered by the State Ovadacariya Shwe Wah Win Monastery Sayadaw and shared the merits gained.

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*Vice-President
Dr Sai Mauk Kham
and wife
Daw Nan Shwe
Hmon receive Nine
Precepts
administered by
Sayadaw
Bhaddanta Agiya.*

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Union Foreign Minister attends 44th ASEAN Ministerial Conference and 18th ASEAN Regional Forum



Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin and Mekong and Japan counterparts pose at 4th Ministers' Meeting.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 25 July—At the invitation of Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia Dr R.M Marty M Natalegawa, Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin attended the 44th ASEAN Ministerial Conference and 18th ASEAN Regional Forum held from 18th to 23rd July in Bali, Indonesia and

arrived back yesterday afternoon by air.

Union Minister U Wunna Maung Lwin attended the Retreat and Plenary Sessions of 44th ASEAN Ministerial Meeting, the Meeting of the Commission for the Treaty on the Southeast Asia Nuclear Weapon Free Zone (SEANWFZ Commission), ASEAN Plus Three Foreign

Ministers' meeting, Post Ministerial Conferences, the Retreat and Plenary Sessions of East Asia Summit Foreign Ministers' Consultation, Mekong-Japan Ministerial Meeting and the Retreat and Plenary Sessions of 18th ASEAN Regional Forum.

The meetings exchanged views on regional and international issues, ASEAN Community

Building, the implementation of the ASEAN Charter, review and future direction of external relations of ASEAN with its dialogue partners and preparations for the 19th ASEAN Summit and Related Summits. ASEAN Foreign Ministers considered positively the willingness and readiness of Myanmar to take the Chairmanship of ASEAN in 2014, based on its firm commitment to the principles of ASEAN, and to recommend to the ASEAN Leaders for their consideration. As regards the South China Sea, ASEAN-China Foreign Ministers' Meeting

endorsed the guidelines on the implementation of the Declaration on the Conduct of Parties in the South China Sea (DOC). ASEAN's position on direct communication with the Nuclear Weapon Free States on the Southeast Asia Nuclear Weapon Free Zone Treaty (SEANWFZ Treaty) was agreed during the meeting. The Union Minister co-chaired the ASEAN-Russian Federation Post Ministerial Conference which endorsed the joint Statement on the occasion of the 15th Anniversary of the ASEAN-Russia Dialogue Partnership.

Furthermore, the

Union Minister received Mr K Shanmugam, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Singapore and Mr Kurt M Campbell, Assistant Secretary of State of the United States of America on 20 July. The Union Minister also met with Mr Yang Jiechi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China on 21 July and Mr John Baird, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Trade of Canada on 22 July. During the meetings, they exchanged views on promotion of bilateral relations and matters relating to cooperation for mutual interests.—MNA

Flood bulletin

NAY PYI TAW, 26 July—According to the (12.30) hr M.S.T observation today, the water level of Chindwin River at Monywa (1039) cm has exceeded by (39) cm (about 1.3 ft) above its danger level. It may fall below its danger level (1000) cm during the next (72) hrs commencing noon today.

According to the (12.30) hr M.S.T observation today, the

water level of Thanlwin River at Hpa-an (835) cm has exceeded by (85) cm (about 3ft) above its danger level. It may remain above its danger level (750) cm during the next (48) hrs commencing noon today.

According to the (12.30) hr M.S.T observation today, the water level of Sittoung River at Madauk (1104) cm has exceeded by (34) cm (about 1.1 ft) above its danger level. It may remain

above its danger level (1070) cm during the next (48) hrs commencing noon today.

According to the (12.30) hr M.S.T observation today, the water level of Ngawun River at Ngathaing Chaung (1161) cm has exceeded by (31) cm (about 1 ft) above its danger level. It may remain above its danger level (1130) cm during the next (48) hrs commencing noon today.—MNA

Service personnel to abstain from bribery...

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Education Dr Mya Aye, Union Minister for Health Dr Pe Thet Khin, deputy ministers and departmental heads, left here by air for Mandalay yesterday morning.

They were welcomed at Mandalay International Airport by Mandalay Region Chief Minister U Ye Myint, ministers and departmental officials.

The Vice-President held a meeting with the chief minister and ministers at Yuzana Hall of Mandalay City Development Committee.

The chief minister reported on structure of the region, farmlands, irrigation water supply, outputs of crops, growing sown acreage, food security, productivity of industrial zones, ongoing tasks in the education and health sectors, and progress in carrying out the eight tasks for rural development and poverty alleviation.

In his speech, the Vice-President said that the nation has seen the Union government, Pyidaungsu Hluttaw, Union Supreme Court, Region/State governments and hluttaws formed in line with the constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar. The three administrative bodies of the Regions and States have been discharging duties through the check and balance system.

Members of Mandalay Region government is now in a position to manage its economic, social, financial and service personnel affairs in cooperation and coordination with each other to speed up the development of the region.

They are to be responsible for good and bad results of what they have done, and are to report on whatever tasks they have carried out to the

Union government and the Union ministries concerned. If necessary, they can ask for assistance.

Issues on ethnic groups residing in the region are to be addressed in coordination with the Region minister for national races affairs.

Undertakings of all ministers of the reconstituted ministries of the region are to be transparent in order that the public places trust and reliance on and recognizes the Region government as a clean government.

In addition, Mandalay Region Hluttaw has to take responsibility for development of the region, enacting new laws, amending and repealing outdated laws, and holding talks in the hluttaw over matters prescribed in Schedule II of the Region or State Hluttaw Legislative List.

When it comes to the judicial sector, cases can be heard freely under supervision of the chief justice of the Region High Court. Criminal and civil appeal cases are to be heard as soon as possible in coordination with the Region government to avert piles of pending cases. In carrying out judicial tasks, all responsible are to try to win public trust and refrain from partiality.

Mandalay, the second largest city as well as an archaeological city in Myanmar, has a constant flow of foreign visitors and is a commercial hub with agricultural development. It is time Mandalay became an international level city as it is the region where goods from neighbouring countries are distributed and is a strategic region with a steady stream of various national races.

In that regard, measures are to be taken effectively to achieve the goal by building buildings wherever necessary, and growing fast-growing trees and landscaping plants across the city to ease hot weather and to spruce the region, enforcing the garbage system, curbing the bad habit of splitting betel spittle indiscriminately in

public area, building enough modern latrines, laying dust bins at every corner of roads, and giving green light to private organizations to implement particular programmes the Region government find difficult.

Regional level officials are to be familiar with national stances and policies because they have to represent the nation in holding talks time and again with diplomatic corps inside and outside the nation, NGOs and INGOs.

The Republic of the Union of Myanmar is a developing country, so the tasks for rural development and poverty alleviation have been launched since 1 July to improve the socioeconomic life for rural people.

Of the eight tasks for agricultural development, cottage industries, microfinance, cooperatives, education, health, electric power supply and environmental conservation, the private microfinance sector is the most indispensable one. Mandalay Region government is required to give the top priority to that point.

The eight tasks are to be implemented in order of priority with the private microfinance entrepreneurs provide as a token of their goodwill for farmers and locals of rural areas for development of the 4780 villages in the region. Ongoing programmes are to be under inspection occasionally.

Myanmar will host SEA Games in 2013. So, Mandalay Region is urged to find out athletes with potentials for success in cooperation with the Ministry of Sports for the sports events they can take part in to bring dignity to the nation.

In conclusion, he urged Mandalay Region government to get service personnel to keep off bribery and corruption and fulfil the needs of local people as far as they can in putting into reality the President's guideline of being a clean government.—MNA

Myanmar, China to cooperate in financial and monetary matters



Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun receives Chairman of China Development Bank Corporation, Myanmar Working Team Mr Zhong Shujun and General Manager Mr Lu Jingen of China Citic Bank.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 25 July—A goodwill delegation led by Chairman of China Development Bank Corporation, Myanmar Working Team Mr Zhong Shujun and

General Manager Mr Lu Jingen of China Citic Bank called on Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun, at the Minister's office here this afternoon. They discussed cooperation in

financial and monetary matters. Also present at the call were Deputy Minister U Win Than, Governor of the Central Bank of Myanmar and officials.

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Inter-Ministry Football Tourney goes on

NAY PYI TAW, 25 July — Construction Ministry team routed Industry-1 Ministry team 6-1, Transport Ministry team whitewashed Science and Technology Ministry team 8-1 and

Commerce Ministry team hammered Energy Ministry team 5-2 in 5th Nay Pyi Taw Inter-Ministry Football Tournament played at respective venues today. Industry-2 Ministry team meets Agriculture

and Irrigation Ministry team, Education Ministry team faces Mines Ministry team and Labour Ministry team plays against Religious Affairs Ministry team on 26 July.

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Construction Ministry team vies with Industry-1 Ministry team at 5th Inter-Ministry Football Tournament.

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Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham views scale model of Yadanabon University at briefing hall of the university.—MNA

Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham at Myanmar Football Academy in Mandalay.—MNA



Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham visits...

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research findings of the university, thesis papers and research papers and gave necessary instructions.

The Vice-President then went to Myanmar Football Academy (Mandalay) in Chanmyathazi Township and viewed training session of trainees. President of Myanmar Football Federation U Zaw Zaw, President of Yadanabon Football Club Dr Sai Sam Tun, and Coach of the academy Mr Marcos from Brazil explained progress of training.

The Vice-President viewed mass hall and

training hall and encouraged U-15 trainees. Currently, a total of 108 trainees aged between 13 and 15 are learning football skills from 13 coaches at the academy while pursuing basic education at Institute of Sports and Physical Education (Mandalay).

On his arrival at Institute of Sports and Physical Education Science (Mandalay), the Vice-President was welcomed by Director-General of Sports and Physical Education Department U Thaung Htaik who reported to the former on objectives

of the Institute, location and area, required qualification for entrance of the Institute, participation in local and international sport events and number of prizes won, and salient facts about the subjects of the Institute.

Next, Union Minister for Hotels and Tourism U Tint Hsan elaborated on preparations for hosting the XXVII SEA Games, progress in construction of buildings for sports activities, and Myanmar athletes' efforts to enhance the image of national sports standard in the region.

The Vice-President stressed the needs and coordinated essentials.

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Amendment to Note of Election Objection No (1/2011) heard

NAY PYI TAW, 25 July — Chairman of Union Election Commission U Tin Aye and commission members heard Amendment to the Note of Election Objection No (1/2011) at the office of the UEC here this morning.

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Union Minister U Aung Kyi and ...

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The two sides are optimistic about and satisfied with the dialogue. They held talks about opportunities for both sides to work together for wellbeing of the public. The discussions

included matters for the rule of law, elimination of disagreement, and serving national interest.

They also agreed that they will meet again at a mutually convenient time.

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Union Minister U Aung Kyi, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi hold talks, answer correspondents' questions

NAY PYI TAW, 25 July—Union Minister for Labour and for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Aung Kyi and Daw Aung San Suu Kyi held talks at Seinle Kantha State House in Yangon from 1 pm to 2.10 pm today, after which they replied to the queries raised by correspondents. The questions and answers are as follows:—

Q: U Aung Hla Tun (Reuters)
You held talks with Daw Suu about 10 times in the time of the previous government, but there were no tangible result. We understand that this time you represent the new government. So, is there any difference between the topic you are talking about and the message from the old government? Now, you are representing the new government, not the old one.

A: Union Minister U Aung Kyi
I don't think there has not been any tangible result. We held talks for nine times and that produced results to some extent. I hope this meeting will produce better results.

Q: Daw Aye Aye Win (AP)

Well, Minister, it is fair to say that this meeting will be followed by a series meeting for the government and Daw Aung San Suu Kyi. Do you think is this meeting a new step to national reconciliation?

A: Union Minister U Aung Kyi

As we have talked recently, we have agreed that we should keep holding talks. I would say this meeting is the first step to what we will work together and what we will have to do in future.

Q: U Thiha Saw (Editor In Chief of Myanmar Wealth Magazine and Open News Journal)
Well, Aunty Suu, if this is the first dialogue conference between the new cabinet and you, what are you hopes? And what results do you think will come out?

A: Daw Aung San Suu Kyi

We are in favour of beneficial results to the country. Whatever acts we do, whatever talks we hold, and whoever we work with, our goal is to serve the interest of the nation and the people. That is what we hope.—MNA

**All Myanmar Tamil
Hindu
Foundation
(Headquarters) held
7th Waso-robe and
alms-food offering
ceremony at Mogok
Refectory on Kaba
Aye Hill in Yangon
on 24 July.**

MNA



Odissi troupe performed traditional dances at National Culture and Fine Arts University (Yangon) on 25 July. Rector in-Charge of the university U Kyaw Oo, professor, deans, lecturers, and students enjoyed the performance.—MNA

Apple plans 5th store in booming China market

BEIJING, 25 July—Apple is planning a third, even larger Shanghai store, as well as dozens of other stores throughout China, to cope with huge crowds at its flagship store and a branch, according to media reports Monday.

Apple says its Chinese outlets — two in Beijing



and two in Shanghai — are the four most heavily trafficked Apple stores in the world. They also generate the most revenue.

Apple's push into China shows the depth of the country's fast-growing economy, and shows that with products not so easy to counterfeit, Chinese consumers are willing to pay a premium.

For the first three quarters of Apple's fiscal year, revenue in China and its Taipei, Hong Kong was 8.8 billion dollars — six times that of a year earlier.

China has become the second-largest market, after the United States, for apps that run on the smartphone and tablet, according to Distimo, a Dutch company that tracks the popularity of apps.

In addition, Apple has been eager to team up with state-run telecom companies, which looks after mobile phone subscriptions.

Xinhua

S Korea's number of birth up for 15th straight month in May

SEOUL, 25 July—The number of babies born in South Korea grew for the 15th straight month in May amid the government's persistent efforts to boost the country's low birthrate, a report showed Monday.

According to the report by Statistics Korea, the number of babies born in May stood at 39,100, up 5.7 percent or 2,100 over the same month last year.

The number of birth has been on the rise since March last year after suffering a 24-month consecutive decline, the report showed.

South Korea has been struggling with its low birthrate. It has one of the lowest birthrates in the world at 1.22 children per woman in 2010 while the average rate of the OECD countries is 1.74.

Meanwhile, the number of death totaled

21,600 in May, up 0.5 percent or 100 from a year earlier, according to the report.—Xinhua



Citizens queue to donate blood at a blood collection site in Wenzhou, east China's Zhejiang Province, on 25 July, 2011.

XINHUA



Hyundai Heavy Industries Co Ltd donated Defibrillator Equipment, EasyLite NK-K-CL Analyzer, Biochemistry Analyzer, Potable X-ray Machine (30MA), Bedside Monitor, ECG Machine with Trolley, Oxygen Concentrator, Infusion Pumps, Patient Trolleys, 10 KVA Generator Set, Laser Colour Printer, Computer Set and ETC to Kyaukpadaung District People's Hospital on 24 July.—NLM



Nepalese artists from "Kirat" Community perform a traditional "Chandi" Dance during the Cultural Events 2011 in Nepali Capital Kathmandu on 24 July, 2011.—XINHUA

Chilean miners to take their underground ordeal to big screen

LOS ANGELES, 25 July—Thirty-three Chilean miners who had been trapped underground for 69 days last year have decided to take their story to the big screen.

Representatives of the miners announced Sunday that their movie rights were sold to Oscar-nominated producer Mike Medavoy and the production of a film recounting the events surrounding the miraculous rescue is set to begin next year. Medavoy, who won nomination at the 83rd Oscars for "Black Swan," will produce the film through his recently formed Half Circle production company in association with Edward McGurn, his vice-president at Phoenix Pictures.

"Like millions of people around the world, I was completely engrossed watching the rescue at Copiapo," said Medavoy, adding "This is a story about the triumph of the human spirit and a testament to the courage and perseverance of the Chilean people. I can't think of a better story than this one to bring to the screen."

Miner Juan Andres Illanes said: "One year after the collapse of the mine, we consider this to be a great step towards the realization of a film based on our experience in the mine. This is the only official and authorized film about what we lived in the San Jose mine. Much of our story has never been told."

Xinhua



Chairman of the London 2012 Olympic Organising Committee Sebastian Coe (pictured) says the challenge has been to make London capable of holding 26 world championships in different sports simultaneously over a two-week period.

INTERNET

Coe confident as one-year countdown looms

LONDON, 25 July—From the late burst of speed which won him the 1,500 metres gold medal at the 1980 Moscow Olympics to the devastating finish that saw him retain the title in Los Angeles four years later, Sebastian Coe has always been renowned for an impeccable sense of timing. Now the former golden boy of British athletics is preparing to kick for home in the task which has consumed him for every day of the last six years — overseeing London's preparations for the 2012 Olympics.

Wednesday marks the one-year countdown to the staging of the greatest sporting show on earth in the British capital, some six years after Coe spearheaded a high-powered delegation which won the bid at a 2005 vote.

From the window of his office high in the Canary Wharf business district, Coe, the chairman of the 2012 organising committee, is able to look upon the consequences of that victory in Singapore every day.

A large swathe of east London has undergone a transformation, an unprecedented urban renewal of 2.5 square kilometres (one square mile) of industrial wasteland that is the Olympic Park, which is to be the focal point of the 2012 Games.

The site will eventually host the Olympic stadium and an array of state-of-the-art sports facilities along with the athletes village, Press centres and a picturesque park.

In an interview with AFP, Coe says 2012 preparations are "in good shape" as the final countdown nears.

Internet

Chinese toddler rescued 21 hours after train crash

WENZHOU, 25 July—A toddler rescued about 21 hours after a deadly high-speed train crash in east China's Zhejiang Province shows good vital signs, according to doctors.

The girl, named Xiang Weiye, was under medical observation and treatment in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) at the No.2 Hospital Attached to the Wenzhou Medical College, said Pan Guoquan, the ICU director on Monday. Xiang, aged two years and eight months, suffered bruises in her lung, liver and soft tissues.

She also suffered insufficient blood supply in two toes of her left foot, he said.

"We'll observe the recovery progress of her blood circulation in the

left leg, and then decide whether she needs an amputation," he said.

The train collision that occurred near the city of Wenzhou late Saturday has killed 36 people and left 192 others injured as of Sunday night, according

to the Ministry of Railways.

At 5:15 pm Sunday, Xiang was rescued by firefighters, making her the last survivor that had been saved after being trapped in the deformed train coaches.

MNA/Xinhua



Firefighters and civilians search for passenger from the wreckage of a train crash in Wenzhou, in east China's Zhejiang Province, on 23 July, 2011.

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S Korea, India sign nuclear cooperation agreement

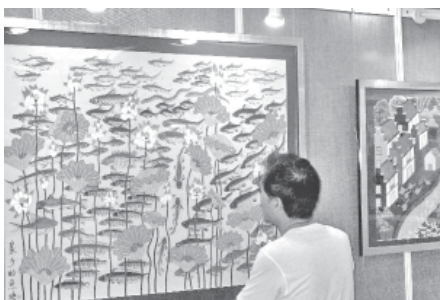
SEOUL, 25 July—South Korea and India signed an accord Monday on nuclear cooperation, laying a legal basis for South Korea's efforts to export nuclear power plants.

The bilateral agreement was signed after a summit in Seoul between South Korean President Lee Myung-bak and his Indian counterpart, Pratibha Patil, according to the president's office Cheong Wa Dae.

During a summit talks, Lee called for support from the Indian government for South Korea's efforts to make inroads into the atomic power plant market of India, a country with 20 nuclear plants, Cheong Wa Dae said in a Press release.

India is currently building six nuclear power plants and plans to construct some 40 more by 2032, while South Korea seeks to become a major exporter of its home-built nuclear power plants.

The state-run Korea Electric Power Corp (KEPCO) struck a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in 2009 with Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited, and has been seeking to tap into the Indian market.—Xinhua



A visitor appreciates a painting work during a farmer painting exhibition held in east China's Shanghai, on 23 July, 2011. About 100 painting works created by farmers were displayed at the exhibition, attracting many visitors.—XINHUA



An Isair company plane landing at the airport in the centre of the Israeli Red Sea resort of Eilat in February 2011.

INTERNET

Israel approves new Eilat International Airport

TEL AVIV, 25 July—Israel's cabinet on Sunday approved plans for a new international airport near the southern resort town of Eilat, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said.

Speaking ahead of his weekly cabinet meeting, in which the airport project was approved, Netanyahu said the airport would be located in Timna, northeast of Eilat, in the southern Arava Region of the Negev desert.

"It will be an alternative to Ben-Gurion international airport and serve

as an additional international airport for the state of Israel. It will also be an alternative airport for Eilat," he said.

"It will free up considerable land in Eilat, provide a solution for the expansion of Eilat and prevent noise and other pollution in the city."

Israel has three international airports, but most tourists flying into the country arrive at the Ben Gurion airport near Tel Aviv.

The new airport will replace Eilat's current airport, which is located in the centre of the popular tourist destination, as well as the Ovda international airport in the Negev desert nearby.

The project is expected to cost 1.6 billion shekels (\$471 million, 328 million euros) and is scheduled to take about three years from the start of work, though it was not clear when construction might begin.—Internet

Vietnam pockets 2 bln USD from rice export so far this year

HANOI, 25 July — Vietnam exported 387,186 tonnes of rice, worth 185.5 million US dollars in the first three weeks of July, pushing the total export volume to 4.3 million tonnes and a value to two billion US dollars so far this year, according to the Vietnam Food Association (VFA) on Monday.

The country's major rice importers included Asian countries, who accounted for nearly 54 percent of the total rice exports, followed by Africa with 31 percent and America with 12.2 percent.

Vietnam expects to export more than seven million tons of rice in 2011, over 6.8 million tons in 2010, VFA reported.—Xinhua

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**MV BANG KAJA VOY NO (70)**

Consignees of cargo carried on MV BANG KAJA VOY NO (70) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 25.7.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of S.P.W(1) 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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Consignees of cargo carried on MV RAINBOW ANGEL VOY NO (5) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 26.7.2011 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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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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Consignees of cargo carried on MV DAN JIANG VOY NO (027) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 26.7.2011 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 BANGPAKAEW VOY NO (187)**

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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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SHIPPING CO LTD**

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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**MV DIBENA WIN VOY NO (143)**

Consignees of cargo carried on MV DIBENA WIN VOY NO (143) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 26.7.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.P 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**MVTARPON CLIPPER VOYNO(1104)**

Consignees of cargo carried on MV TARPON CLIPPER VOY NO (1104) are hereby notified that the vessel has arrived on 24.7.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.T.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**MV KOTA TAMPAN VOY NO (397)**

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

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

**SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
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Rest in peace...

Our little brother Zayar Ko Ko (a) Gyibar... No words to describe how we feel right now... Too Young... We will miss you so much... We will always remember the good time we had together... We were young and stupid but we had so much fun together... You will be in our heart forever ... Thank you for leaving little nephew who will be due in October. ... We promise we will take care of him like our own son...

Love you forever...

Ko Me ... Ko Du ... Ma Ma Can ...

Perth, Australia ...

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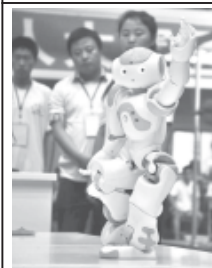
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A robot waves in a competition in Mudanjiang, northeast China's Heilongjiang Province, on 24 July, 2011. A nationwide robot competition was kicked off in the city on Sunday, with participants from 50 colleges and universities.

XINHUA

Six pairs of twins pose for a photo during the 12th National Twins Festival held in Szigetahalom, near Budapest, Hungary, on 23 July, 2011.— XINHUA



Five Dominicans break record for continuous reading

Five students set a world record Wednesday after reading aloud for 300 straight hours to raise awareness about books in the Dominican Republic. And they kept going.

Guinness World Records recognized the university students for breaking the previous record of 240 hours set in 2009 by a group of women from Miami Dade College.

"This is a very important case because it deals with reading and promotes intellectualism," said Michael Janela, a Guinness official who certified the record.

He called it a tremen-

dous sacrifice.

"There is no time to sleep, nor even to eat," he said. "Sometimes they are reading by themselves at dawn, without support."

In preparation for the bid, participants practiced reading up to three hours a day for two years, said Cristian Rodriguez, a 23-year-old communications student.

The students began reading 7 July at a library just northwest of the capital, taking turns before a microphone every two hours. They chose to read the complete works of historian and former Dominican President Juan Bosch. The project

was being transmitted live on the Internet.

The students had planned to stop Wednesday but decided to extend the reading until early Saturday to complete 365 hours of reading, one hour for each day of the year.

Guinness officials will continue to monitor the reading to verify the final time.



Michael Janela, second from left, judge of the Guinness World Records, pose inside the cabin with Dominican Republic's students, from left, Carlos Jose Reyes, Cristian Rodriguez, Martha Esther Madera, Randolph Jimenez and Jose Manuel Bueno while they reach 300 straight hours of reading aloud in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, on 20 July, 2011.



Have fun at wedding!

Bear breaks into car for McNuggets

A bear broke into a car in New Mexico, drawn by the Chicken McNuggets inside, a camper says. When Leroy Griego returned to his car from a four-day camping trip he found it had been wrecked by a bear, the *Silver City Sun-News* reported Sunday. "A bear destroyed my car looking for Chicken McNuggets," he said. "I'm shocked."

Key evidence it was a bruin at work, he said, were the scratch marks and brown fur on the passenger seat. "Wow, a bear got into your car," said Dennis O'Keefe, a shop owner in Silver City,

NM. "Sure did," Griego replied.

"The way the metal of the car was peeled back, you could see the power of the animal," O'Keefe said. "It must have been starving to death or really wanted those McNuggets."

Griego said his biggest challenge now is explaining the situation to his parents. "When I first told them about it, they didn't believe me," he said. "They'll be able to see it when they pick it up [Friday night]."

News Album

Man stuck in manhole for 40 minutes

A California man got stuck headfirst in a manhole for about 40 minutes when he tried to retrieve his wallet, police say.

Ceres police officers found Jared Medeiros, 21, of Ceres stuck waist deep in a manhole Friday, Sacramento's KCRA-TV reported. When they arrived, his legs were flailing in the air.

The fire department had to be called in to help pull out Medeiros after he couldn't be budged. He was stuck for about 40 minutes.

Police said Medeiros only suffered some minor scrapes and contusions. They also found that he was intoxicated, but not impaired, the TV station said.

'Captain America' breaks Harry Potter's box-office spell

LOS ANGELES, 25 July —Comic book hero Captain America outdueled Harry Potter in this weekend's box office battle, earning an estimated \$65.8 million, industry estimates showed Sunday. Paramount's "Captain America: The First Avenger" easily topped the \$48 million that "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows — Part 2" is anticipated to earn at the box office, industry tracker Exhibitor Relations reported.

The eighth and final episode about the boy wizard came in second place having taken in some \$274 million total since its smash release in early July. "Deathly Hallows" records include one for single-day ticket sales (\$92.1 million) and midnight premiere sales (\$43.5 million), according to the box-office tracker.

Internet



Actor Robert Downey Jr attends the "Captain America: The First Avenger" Los Angeles Premiere at the El Capitan Theatre on 19 July in Hollywood, California.

INTERNET



Actor Daniel Craig—INTERNET

"Cowboys & Aliens" premiere brings out the big guns

SAN DIEGO, 25 July—For the premiere of his new shoot-'em-up epic "Cowboys & Aliens," Jon Favreau presented a screening almost as big and bombastic as the movie itself, invading the San Diego Civic Theater with a horde that included Daniel Craig, Harrison Ford, Olivia Wilde, Sam Rockwell, Steven Spielberg and Ron Howard. "In case you don't like the movie, I'm gonna say that this is how you felt about the film," Favreau said in reaction to the thunderous applause that greeted him, before dragging the aforementioned assemblage onto the stage and launching into a heartfelt assessment of the evening.

"We have all the people who've been working on the movie interacting with the fans," Favreau noted.

Internet

7th jazz festival to strum up crowds at Expo Park

BEIJING, 25 July—More than doubling the number of performances from last year, the 2011 JZ Music Festival Shanghai will open one of the largest jazz festivals in Asia at the Expo Park from 15 October to 23 — featuring the internationally acclaimed vocals of Roy Ayers and Tower of Power.

With 100-plus shows, the seventh annual edition of the festival will boast six outdoor stages on the first two opening days at the Green Note venue inside the Expo Park, where audiences can take in a mix of jazz, folk, electronic, funk and rock renditions performed by internationally acclaimed musicians, followed by the "Masters Hall" indoor concert series from 18 October at the Shanghai Centre Theater, said organizers.

Xinhua

Lindsay Lohan ordered to enroll in psychological counseling programme



Actress Lindsay Lohan arrives in court in Los Angeles, California on 23 June, 2011.—XINHUA

LOS ANGELES, 25 July —A Los Angeles judge ruled on Thursday that troubled Hollywood actress Lindsay Lohan has made some progress

fulfilling the terms of her probation, but she had still to enroll in a one-on-one psychological counseling programme within three weeks. Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Stephanie Sautner ruled that, the "Mean Girls" star has completed just 33 of the 480 community service hours, but she wanted to see proof within 21 days that the starlet has enrolled in a counseling session.

Sautner also reminded Lohan that she has one year to complete all the terms of her probation, which stems from a misdemeanor theft case involving a necklace valued at 2,500 dollars that the actress took from a Venice jewelry store early this year.—Xinhua

Uruguay beat Paraguay to win Copa America for record 15 times



Uruguay's team hold aloft Copa America trophy.

BUENOS AIRES, 25 July — Striker Diego Forlan scored twice to lead World Cup semifinalists Uruguay to beat Paraguay 3-0 on Sunday for a record 15th Copa America win. Forlan thus took his international tally to 31, holding tie with Hector Scarone, and completed an incredible family story as he followed his father and grandfather into the record books as a Copa America winner.

Liverpool attacker Luis Suarez, the player of the tournament, was also on target on 12 minutes before Atletico Madrid star Forlan added the second three minutes from the interval. Forlan, a former Manchester United player, then hit his 31st international



goal in the last minute after being set-up by Cavani and Suarez.

Uruguay, who knocked out hosts Argentina in the quarterfinals, claimed a first continental crown since 1995 and broke their all-time Copa title tie of 14 which they held with Argentina. Paraguay, the champions in 1953 and

1979, had defeated Brazil and Venezuela in penalty shoot-outs in both the quarterfinals and semifinals after the games ended 0-0 in extra-time.—Xinhua



Suarez voted Player of Tournament

BUENOS AIRES, 25 July — Uruguay striker Luis Suarez was named the player of the tournament by a panel of journalists as Uruguay beat Paraguay 3-0 to win Copa America on Sunday. The 24-year-old, who plays from English Premier League's Liverpool, finished the tournament with four goals, including the game opening score in the 12th minute at Sunday's final.—Xinhua

Copa America roll of honour



Champions:
Uruguay

Runners-up:
Paraguay

Third place:
Peru

Fourth place:
Venezuela

Best player:
Luis Suarez
(Uruguay)

Top scorer:
Paolo Guerrero
(Peru) (5 goals)

Best goalkeeper:
Justo Villar
(Paraguay)

Best young player:
Sebastian Coates
(Uruguay)

Fair play trophy:
Uruguay
Xinhua

China completes sweep of diving golds at worlds

SHANGHAI, 25 July — Qiu Bo won the men's 10-metre platform title on Sunday, helping China complete a gold medal sweep for the first time in diving at the world championships. Qiu totaled 585.45 points in the six-dive final to win China's 10th gold and 14th overall at the outdoor pool. Qiu finished second two years ago in Rome.

American David Boudia earned the silver with 544.25, the only medal won by the United States in Shanghai. Sascha Klein of Germany took the bronze at 534.50. "It's always very tough to com-

pete with the Chinese," Boudia said. "It was good to hear teammates' cheer for me. I had a good time training and competing here." Defending champion Tom Daley of Britain finished fifth. Boudia's teammate, Nick McCrory, was sixth.—Internet



Men's 10m platform diving top three finishers, from left, silver medalist the United States' David Boudia, gold medalist China's Qiu Bo and bronze medalist Germany's Sascha Klein.

INTERNET



McLaren Formula One driver Hamilton of Britain celebrates winning the German F1 Grand Prix at the Nuerburgring circuit on 24 July, 2011.

XINHUA

Amir Khan, of Bolton, England, and Zab Judah trade punches during the first round of their IBF & WBA junior welterweight title boxing match.

INTERNET



Balotelli gets into row with City manager Mancini

LONDON, 25 July — Mario Balotelli's failed trick shot sparked a heated row with manager Roberto Mancini that took the lustre off Manchester City's penalty shootout win over the Los Angeles Galaxy. The Italian striker with a hot-headed reputation scored the lone goal in regulation for City but was relegated to the showers by the time the teams went to a penalty shootout to decide the exhibition match.

Mancini was incensed after Balotelli broke in on the Galaxy goal in the 28th minute and then turned backwards and tried to hit a ball into the net with the back of his foot. The ball went wide and Balotelli was pulled from the game as



Hot-headed Italian striker Mario Balotelli (pictured, R) scored the lone goal in regulation for Manchester City but was relegated to the showers by the time the teams went to a penalty shootout to decide the exhibition match.—INTERNET

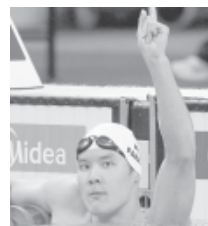
soon as his replacement could warm up. "I think for the player, this can be a lesson," Mancini said. "This can't happen on a strong team."

Internet

South Korea's Park regains 400 free title

SHANGHAI, 25 July — Olympic champion Park Tae-hwan of South Korea showed he's back in top form and Italy's Federica Pellegrini remained unbeatable in the 400-metre freestyle on the opening night of traditional swimming at the world championships on Sunday.

Michael Phelps' first race ended in disappointment, meanwhile, as the United States had to settle



South Korea's Park Tae-hwan

for bronze in the 4-x-100 relay behind surprise winner Australia and runner-up France.—Internet

O'Hair wins Canadian Open on 1st playoff hole



Sean O'Hair, of West Chester, Pa.

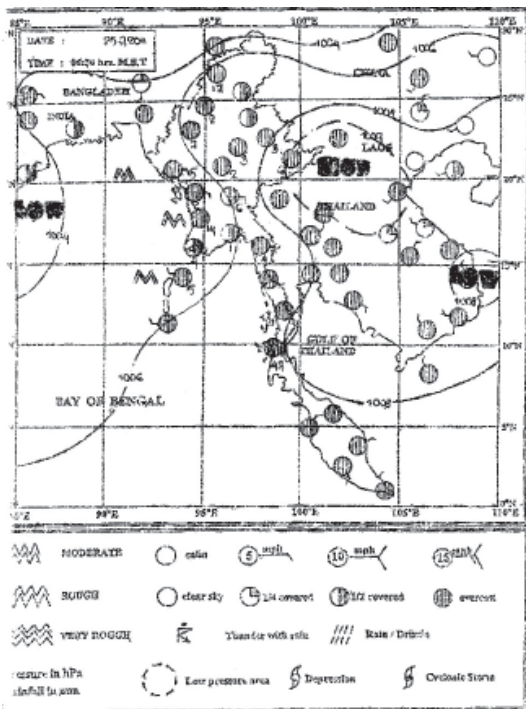
VANCYVERM, 25 July — Sean O'Hair turned around the worst week of his most trying golf season on an even tougher golf course. Not even he imagined it was possible just four days ago. Coming off a frustratingly close missed

cut at the British Open, and in the midst of his worst season on the PGA Tour, O'Hair "played horrific" in Wednesday's Pro-Am on the eve of the Canadian Open. All of which made him savor the victory four days later that much more.

O'Hair won after tapping in for bogey on the first playoff hole Sunday, and then watching fellow American Kris Blanks lip out his bogey putt from just over 5 feet.—Internet

S P O R T S

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas

Weather forecast for 26th July, 2011

Sr. No.	Regions/States	Temperature (°C/°F)		For Tomorrow	
		Maximum	Minimum	Forecast	Percent
1	Kachin	34/93	26/79	Widespread rain or thundershower	80%
2	Kayah	26/73	20/68	Scattered rain or thundershower	80%
3	Kayin	32/90	24/75	Widespread rain or thundershower	80%
4	Chin	22/72	14/57	Fairly widespread rain or thundershower	80%
5	Upper Sagaing	33/91	23/73	Fairly widespread rain or thundershower	80%
6	Lower Sagaing	36/97	26/79	Scattered rain or thundershower	80%
7	Taninthayi	30/86	23/73	Widespread rain or thundershower	80%
8	Bago	29/84	23/73	Fairly widespread rain or thundershower	80%
9	Magway	33/91	26/79	Scattered rain or thundershower	80%
10	Mandalay	32/90	26/79	Scattered rain or thundershower	80%
11	Mon	30/86	24/75	Widespread rain or thundershower	80%
12	Yangon	32/90	24/75	Widespread rain or thundershower	80%
13	Rakhine	30/86	24/75	Widespread rain or thundershower	80%
14	Southern Shan	24/75	19/66	Fairly widespread rain or thundershower	80%
15	Northern Shan	28/82	21/70	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	24/75	One or two rain or thundershower	80%
19	Neighbouring Yangon	32/90	24/75	One or two rain or thundershower	80%
20	Neighbouring Mandalay	32/90	26/79	Isolated rain or thundershower	80%

Summary of observations at 09:30 hr MST on today: During the past (24) hours, rains have been isolated in Kayin State, scattered in Magway Region, Kachin, Kayah and Mon States, fairly widespread in Mandalay, Bago, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Regions, Shan State and widespread in the remaining Regions and States with isolated heavy falls in Kachin State. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Machanbow (6.30) inches, Kawchong (1.97) inches, Taungup (1.81) inches, Mogok (1.69) inches, Htilin (1.45) inches and Putao (1.38) inches.

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

State of the Sea: Sea will be moderate in the Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Moderate monsoon.

Panda cub born in China's Chengdu panda base



A pair of newborn panda twins are seen at the Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding in Chengdu, Sichuan province. A giant panda named Li Li gave birth to the twin female cubs at the breeding centre on Sunday morning.—XINHUA

CHENGDU, 25 July—A 19-year-old giant panda on Sunday gave birth to this year's first cub in the Chengdu Giant Panda Protection and Research Center in southwest Sichuan Province.

Nineteen years is an advanced maternal age for pandas, compared with the average life span of 25 years for the endangered animal. The mother Li Li was given artificial fertilization with sperm from Qiubang, a panda returned from Japan, after her natural mating failed in March. Weighing 161 grams, the new-born is a

healthy female cub. Both Li Li and the baby are in good shape, according to veterinarians at the center.

With the new cub, the total number of pandas captive in the world's largest panda base reached 97. Dubbed as the hometown of giant pandas, Sichuan has two panda bases — one in Chengdu, and the other in Wolong. A panda, nicknamed "Su Lin," in the Wolong panda base, gave birth to its first panda cub of the year on 7 July.—Xinhua



Tuesday,
26 July
View on today

- 7:00 am
1. Paritta By Venerable Mingun Sayadaw
- 7:15 am
2. Dhamma Puja Song
- 7:25 am
3. To be Healthy Exercise

- 7:30 am
4. Morning News
- 7:40 am
5. Nice & Sweet Song
- 7:50 am
6. Health Programme
- 8:00 am
7. Songs of Yester Years
- 8:10 am
8. Dance of National Races
- 8:25 am
9. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competition
- 8:40 am
10. International News
- 8:45 am
11. Musical Programme
- 4:00 pm
1. Martial Song

- 4:10 pm
2. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competition
- 4:25 pm
3. Teleplay (Traffic)
- 4:40 pm
4. Musical Programme
- 4:55 pm
5. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures) - Second Year (Economic)
- 5:05 pm
6. Songs for Upholding National Spirit
- 5:10 pm
7. The Mirror Images of The Musical Oldies

- 5:25 pm
8. Documentary
- 5:45 pm
9. Sweet Melody
- 6:00 pm
10. Evening News
- 6:15 pm
11. Weather Report
- 6:20 pm
12. Kyae Pwint Myaye Yin Khone Than
- 6:50 pm
13. Sing A Song
- 7:00 pm
14. TV Drama Series
- 8:00 pm
15. News
16. International News
17. Weather Report
18. Just For Laughs
19. TV Drama Series

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Transmissions	Times
Local	(09:00am ~ 11:00am)MST
Overseas Transmission	(26-7-11 09:30 am ~ 27-7-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Three Sacred Pagodas each enshrined with Relics of Buddha's Hair, Rib Tooth

- * News
 - * Tasty! Delicious Smart Food!
 - * News
 - * Record Album
 - * News
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- * News
- * Poem Garden "Little Aeroplane"
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Yangon International Trade Exhibition 2011
- * News
- * The Rakhine Dance, The Pride of Yoma
- * Myanmar National Races Cultural Dances
- * News
- * Mrauk U, Treasure Trove of Rakhine Culture
- * Myanmar Movies "New Bosom"

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- ★ 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

Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham visits Yadanabon University, Myanmar Football Academy (Mandalay), Sports and Physical Education Science (Mandalay)

NAY PYI TAW, 25 July—Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham visited Yadanabon University, Myanmar Football Academy (Mandalay) and Sports and Physical Education Science (Mandalay) yesterday evening.

The Vice-President while visiting Yadanabon University, heard reports on historical background of the university, specialized subjects available, strength of lecturers and staff, number of PhD holder instructors, research works, and sports activities, installation of

video conference and communication system and greening of the university campus.

The Vice-President put questions for his knowledge and gave a speech saying that he and the union ministers came there to fulfill the requirements of the university; that the State would provide necessities for construction of new lecture rooms to be able to cope with increasing students; that to enhance the capacities of the graduates, lectures must be well-qualified first;

that undergraduates must have a desire for knowledge; that only through self-improvement of lecturers and undergraduates, could qualified graduates be turned out; that all lecturers were to work in tandem for production of well-qualified graduates.

The Vice-President looked round the main lecture hall, internal office multiple video conference & communication system, scale model of the university, (See page 9)

Union Minister U Aung Kyi and Daw Aung San Suu Kyi issue press release

NAY PYI TAW, 25 July—Union Minister for Labour and for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Aung Kyi and Daw Aung San Suu Kyi held a dialogue at Seinle Kantha State House in Yangon from 1 pm to 2.10 pm today.

After the dialogue, the Union Minister made clarifications on the dialogue to correspondents of local and foreign news agencies. And they issued a press release as follows:—

At the invitation of the government

of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi called on Union Minister U Aung Kyi at Seinle Kantha State House from 1 pm to 2.10 pm on 25 July 2011.

(See page 9)

Union Minister for Labour and for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Aung Kyi meets with Daw Aung San Suu Kyi at Seinle Kantha State House.

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