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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

As Yangon Port extension is a project that can handle about 100 million tons of cargos a year, systematic measures are necessary to ensure a modern port capable of providing services of international standard



Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo delivers a speech in meeting with Yangon Region Chief Minister, Region Ministers and officials concerned.

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NAY PYI TAW, 9 Aug—Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo attended a co-ordination meeting on development of Yangon Port held at the meeting hall of Myanmar Port Authority of the Ministry of Transport this morning.

The meeting was also attended by Union Ministers, the Yangon Region Chief Minister, deputy ministers, region

ministers, heads of department, entrepreneurs and guests.

First, Union Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung in reporting Yangon Port development tasks said that there are a total of 23 jetties – 17 international jetties at Yangon Port and six at Myanmar International Terminal Thilawa – and 23 ocean liners can be moored to those jetties simultaneously; that 476

container ships and 1143 general cargo vessels totaling 1619 arrived at Yangon Port in 2010-2011; that 163 container vessels and 279 general cargo vessels totaling 442 arrived at Yangon Port in a period of four months from April to July of 2011-2012; that in comparison with 2010-2011 and the firstly quarterly of 2011-2012 in handling container services, 1440000 tons of containers and 1328000 tons of general cargoes were handled in 2010-2011 whereas 1727000 tons of containers and 1792000

drawing mater plan, operations of survey subcommittee and design plan drawing subcommittee, drawing of conceptual plan for building jetties and inland container yards between Botahtaung No.6 Saw Mill and Hteetan Kyatsharsoon in Yangon Port Region and condition of chosen sites, prospects for development of Yangon Port, prospects for more handling of containers, arrangements for development of Thilawa Port and progress in construction of private jetties for fuel oil in

heads and entrepreneurs reported on their respective tasks for extension of Yangon Port.

In response to the reports, the Vice-President said with developing global maritime transport today, the number of ocean vessels arriving at Yangon Port has been on the increase. This is why upgrading tasks for Yangon Port have started and reached a certain level of completion.

Yangon Port and Thilawa Port have 23 jetties where 23 large vessels can be moored to

Thilawa port region.

Union Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min reported on production of sleepers to be used in constructing both narrow and wider railroads and starting of tasks in October and their completion in October. Then, the Union Ministers, the Yangon Region Chief Minister, deputy ministers, departmental

spontaneously. As for the cargo handling, about 20 million tons of cargoes can be handled a year. So measures will have to be taken to handle up to 100 million tons in the long run. In addition to the extension of the port, measures are also being taken to dig water course in order that 30000- to 35000-ton vessels can enter.

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Maintain positive results to ensure perpetual peace

Stability and peace are indispensable in improving the economic and social sectors and the socioeconomic life for the people.

Putting stability and peace high in its list of priorities, the government is now in pursuance of varieties of projects for improving the living conditions for the entire people especially rural residents and rural development. It is also trying to build trust and improve friendly relations among national races.

Now, Myanmar is in the process of being transformed into a modern, developed democratic nation. Representatives from political parties are participating in the sessions of the central level body and Region/State Hluttaws to make reforms in the political, economic, social, education and health sectors, which is a testament to collaboration of national brethren.

Recently, the nation has faced natural disasters triggered by climate changes. The government is attending to the needs of the victims in the basic needs, health, education and social affairs and helping them resume their livelihoods.

The government addressed the basic needs of the victims promptly, while taking paces to improve the living standard for the people of ordinary class including farmers and workers. It managed to surmount the challenges in carrying out the onerous tasks with the might of national unity.

Success in scaling up regional development and public welfare tasks is as a result of peace and tranquility in the regions. Local people can enjoy the taste of better socioeconomic status only with regional peace and stability. Therefore, the entire people are urged to keep working hard and maintaining positive results to ensure perpetual peace of Myanmar, the multicultural land.

Symposium on Antimicrobial Resistance 20 Aug

YANGON, 9 Aug—A symposium on "Antimicrobial Resistance" conducted by the Microbiology Society, Myanmar Medical Association, will be held on 20 August from 9 am to noon at the hall of MMA on Theinbyu Road.

The speakers will be Lt-Col Prof Khin San San, Prof Nyunt Thein, Prof Thein Lwin and Dr Wah Wah Aung.

All those interested are cordially invited and registration can be done at the Department of Microbiology, University of Medicine-1 and 2, Defence Services Medical Academy in Mingaladon and MMA during the office hour or on-site on the day of symposium.

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People's Desire

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

Construction Minister inspects Ayeyawady Bridge (Nyaungdon)



Union Minister U Khin Maung Myint inspects Ayeyawady Bridge (Nyaungdon).—MMA

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Aug—Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint inspected installation of iron frames on RP 14 and RP 15 of Ayeyawady Bridge (Nyaungdon) on Patheingyi bank yesterday. He presented gifts to Chinese technicians and staff members.

He later inspected construction of the bridge. Ayeyawady Bridge (Nyaungdon) is constituted

with 16 120-metre-long spans, two 100-metre-long spans, and two 60-metre-long spans. Works on installation of steel girder on piers on Patheingyi bank were completed. Construction of span on Yangon bank is being carried out. Three bridge special groups, three road special groups and one airport special group are working together day in, day out in order to open the bridge on schedule.—MNA

Mandalay Region Chief Minister meets rural people

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Aug — Chief Minister of Mandalay Region U Ye Myint met with rural people in Madaya Township, Mandalay Region, on 6 August and explained plans for poverty alleviation in rural areas.

Before his visit to villages in Madaya Township, the chief minister held talks with departmental officials, ward/village administration officials and town-sellers at Madaya Township General Administration Department.

After the meeting, the chief minister visited to Latkaunggyi Village-tract, Yanantha, Pat-lein, Lamaing and



Myaungthit villages in Madaya Township, met with local farmers and discussed loans, power supply plans and micro-credit schemes.—MNA

Chief Minister U Ye Myint meets ward/village administration officials and town-sellers.—MNA

Moderate earthquake news

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Aug—The Department of Meteorology and Hydrology announced today that a moderate earthquake of magnitude 5.0 Richter Scale with its epicenter outside Myanmar (Yunnan Province) about 270 miles northeast of Mandalay seismological observatory was recorded at 18 hrs 22 min 22 sec MST today.

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Warning of hightide

YANGON, 9 Aug—The public are here by informed that exceptionally high spring of from 20 feet to 20.5 feet high above the datum are expected to occur in Yangon River during the period from 13 to 17 August, 2011.

That it is not serious because the hightide have researched up to 21.8 feet high above datum in the year 2009 and 2010, and that the warning is issued only because hightide reaches over 20 feet high above datum.—MNA



Doves fly over the Peace Monument during a service to mark the 66th anniversary of the 1945 US atomic bombing of Nagasaki at Peace Park in Nagasaki, Japan.
INTERNET

Nagasaki calls for shift from nuclear to renewables

NAGASAKI, 9 Aug—The Japanese city of Nagasaki on Tuesday called for a shift away from nuclear power to renewables as it commemorated the 66th anniversary of its atomic bombing at the end of World War II.

Mayor Tomihisa Taue said Japan must develop safer alternative energies such as solar, wind and biomass following the meltdowns at the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear plant in March in the world's worst atomic accident since Chernobyl 25 years ago.

"This March, we were astounded by the severity of the accident at the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power station," Taue said at a ceremony held near the spot where the US military dropped its plutonium bomb.

"As the people of a nation that has experienced nuclear devastation, we have continued the plea of 'No More Hibakusha!'," he said in his 'peace declaration' speech, using the Japanese word for the WWII radiation victims.

"How has it happened that we are threatened once again by the fear of radiation? Have we lost our awe of nature? Have we become overconfident in the control we wield as human beings?"

Until the 11 March disaster, Japan relied on nuclear power for about 30 percent of its energy needs and had planned to boost that to 50 percent by 2030, but environmental activists have since called for a review of that plan.

Internet

Typhoon Muifa leaves at least four dead in S Korea

SEOUL, 9 Aug—Typhoon Muifa passing over South Korea along its west coast left at least four dead and two others missing, the country's emergency management agency said Monday.

Muifa, the season's ninth typhoon, brought strong winds and heavy rains to multiple regions, including the southern resort island Jeju and areas of west coast on Sunday and Monday.

According to Seoul's National Emergency Management Agency, three people were killed in South Jeolla Province, including a 75-year-old man who were found dead after going missing while trying to moor a 1-ton ship in stormy seas, and one more was reported dead in the southern port city of Busan. Two others, one in Busan and another in North Chungcheong Province, remained missing in the aftermath of torrential rains and strong winds that accompanied the typhoon, the agency added.—Xinhua



People walk on the oil covered Juhu beach in Mumbai, India, on 7 Aug, 2011. Indian Defence Ministry Sunday said that oil has been leaking from the Panama-flagged cargo vessel MV Rak which sank off the coast of Mumbai earlier this week.—XINHUA

Chile nursing home fire kills nine

SANTIAGO, 9 Aug—At least nine people were killed and six others injured after a fire broke out Monday at a nursing home in Canete, 550 km south of the capital, police said.

The fire killed five women and four men between the ages of 70 and 90, mostly severely incapacitated. One police officer was injured in the rescue operation, according to the local police. A total of 20 people — 19 seniors and one nurse — lived in the home, said Canete Mayor Jorge Radonich, adding that firefighters and neighbours helped rescue 11 residents from the flames and took them to the local hospital for treatment.—Xinhua



A Russian policeman works near a site of burning Moscow Mikoyanovsky meat-packing factory in Moscow on 8 August, 2011.—XINHUA

Fire breaks out in downtown Moscow, no casualties reported

MOSCOW, 9 Aug—A big fire broke out in a warehouse in downtown Moscow Monday, with no casualties reported so far. The warehouse, used to store copper coils, was located near the Mikoyan meat factory, the biggest meat processor in Russia, said the local emergency department.

Earlier reports said the fire was burning in the meat factory.

Heavy smoke was seen spewing out from the warehouse since 20:00

Moscow Time. Xinhua reporters saw over ten fire trucks and ambulances rushing to the site, where dozens of workers were evacuated from the smoky buildings. Two helicopters have also been sent to help put out the fire.

The fire, started from the warehouse, has spread to a nearby building and was ranging across 4,000 square metres during two hours, reported Interfax news agency, citing a police source.—Xinhua

Riots rock 3rd UK city

LONDON, 9 Aug—Liverpool was hit by looting and violence Monday night, becoming the third British city shaken by a wave of riots that already struck London and Birmingham, police said.

"Isolated outbreaks of disorder" took place in the northern British city, with acts of arson and vandalism reported in residential areas, they said. The riots started in London on Saturday night and spread to Birmingham on Monday.

In London, the riots that first broke out in the multi-ethnic northern district of Tottenham,

spread to other parts of the capital Sunday night, with hundreds of young rioters looting, burning shops and attacking police officers.

About 100 people were arrested in the second night of rioting in London.—Xinhua



In this 18 July, 2010 file photo, an Iraqi soldier inspects the scene of a suicide attack in Radwaniya, southwest of Baghdad, Iraq.
INTERNET

Package bomb injures two Mexico college professors

MEXICO CITY, 9 Aug—Mexican authorities say two university professors have been injured by the explosion of a package bomb on a campus near the national capital.

The prosecutor's office for the state of Mexico says a messenger service delivered the package Monday to the cubicle of one of the victims at a campus of Monterrey Technological Institute.

Prosecutor's spokesman Alfredo Albiter says investigators are trying to determine whether the bomb was detonated with a timer or by touch.

There was no indication of the motive.

Mexico's Interior Ministry says the professors suffered second- and third-degree burns. It says they were



A police officer stands guard after a mail bomb exploded at the Tecnológico de Monterrey University, on the outskirts of Mexico City, on 8 Aug, 2011.
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able to get themselves to a hospital and are listed in stable condition. Their names haven't been released.

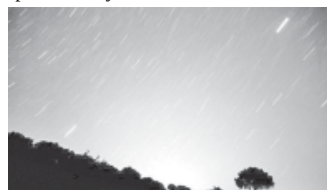
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Meteorites carried life's building blocks to Earth

LOS ANGELES, 9 Aug—A new analysis of carbon meteorites suggests that they likely carried some of the building blocks needed for DNA to the Earth, according to a NASA-funded study published on Monday. The research in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences adds weight to the long-debated theory that at least some of the materials needed to make early life forms came to our planet via meteorites.

Scientists used advanced mass spectrometry instruments to scan 11



A meteor streaks across the sky against a field of stars during a meteorite shower in 2010. A new analysis of carbon meteorites suggests that they likely carried some of the building blocks needed for DNA to the Earth, according to a NASA-funded study.—INTERNET

organic-rich meteorites called carbonaceous chondrites for nucleobases, which contribute to making DNA and RNA. They found three nucleobases — purine, 6,8-diaminopurine and 2,6-diaminopurine — that “are widely distributed in carbonaceous chondrites” and which are “rare or absent in terrestrial biology,” said the study.

Scientists found no significant concentrations of the trio in soil and ice samples near where the meteorites landed, the study said. “Finding nucleobase compounds not typically found in Earth’s biochemistry strongly supports an extraterrestrial origin,” said Jim Cleaves, one of the study’s authors from the Carnegie Institute of Washington’s Geophysical Laboratory.

“This shows us that meteorites may have been molecular tool kits, which provided the essential building blocks for life on Earth,” Cleaves said. Previous studies have shown that some meteorites contain nucleobases but that they shared traits with those already on Earth, fueling debate over whether the meteorites carried these elements or were contaminated on impact.—Internet



In this photo released on 19 July, 2011 by NASA showing NASA’s Mars Exploration Rover Opportunity. Months after the death of the Mars rover Spirit, its surviving twin Opportunity, is poised to reach the rim of a vast crater to begin a fresh round of exploration.

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Surviving NASA rover nears rim of Martian crater

LOS ANGELES, 9 Aug—Months after the death of the Mars rover Spirit, its surviving twin is poised to reach the rim of a vast crater to begin a fresh round of exploration.

Driving commands sent up to Opportunity directed the six-wheel rover to make the final push toward Endeavour crater, a 14-mile-wide depression near the Martian equator that likely could be its final destination.

At its current pace and barring any hiccups, Opportunity should roll up to the crater’s edge on Tuesday. The finish line was a spot along a ridge that the rover team nicknamed “Spirit Point” in honour of Opportunity’s lost twin.

“I’m totally pumped. We’ve been

driving for so long,” said Ray Arvidson of Washington University in St Louis who is part of the team.

The milestone injects a sense of adventure back into a mission that wowed the public with colour portraits of the landscape and the unmistakable geologic discoveries of a warm and wetter past.

The NASA rovers parachuted to opposite sides of Mars in 2004 for what was a planned three-month mission, but both have operated beyond their factory warranty.

Spirit’s journey ended in May after NASA ceased trying to contact it. It had been trapped in sand and unheard from for more than a year.

Internet



Technology



How e-readers can save reading

WASHINGTON, 9 Aug—In the midst of an essay on teaching long-form reading that’s well worth your time, Alan Jacobs sticks in a little tidbit about how the Kindle saved him from losing the ability to read books.

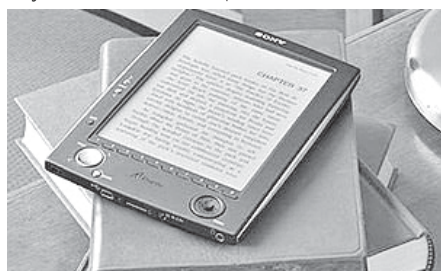
I have to second this from my own experience. Until recently, the number of books I was reading per year had also started to dwindle, due in large part to the fact that an ever-growing portion of my daily reading was taking place on the Internet. Like Jacobs, I found it difficult to concentrate on books, and I was constantly reaching for my phone in the middle of a reading session to check Facebook or my RSS feeds. A few months ago, though, I received a Kindle as a birthday present, and I’ve

managed to regain my appreciation for longform reading. It was a bit of a process at first - I had a tendency to jump from book to magazine to book and back again. However, I think it was that jumping back and forth - the way I do on the web - that let me transition from the ephemeral reading of the web back to more luxurious book reading.

After that transition, I regained my capacity for long-term reading, and rediscovered the joy of losing myself in a book. And to keep it that way, I make sure to set

aside time every week to leave my computer, turn off my phone, and just focus on a book. One nice feature of the Kindle is that you can load music onto it, which allows me to drown out the outside world that much easier. It’s heavenly. Especially when I pair my reading time with a good scotch.

In my mind, the great virtue of the Kindle and other e-readers is the fact that they’re dedicated devices with few features. I use my Kindle to read, and to play music while I read — that’s it.—Internet



Forrester says iPad rivals have better chance in Europe

LONDON, 9 Aug—Would-be rivals to Apple’s iPad have more of a chance in Europe than they do in the United States, but they need to cut prices fast to grasp the opportunity, IT research firm Forrester said on Tuesday. Apple’s relatively small retail presence in Europe — with 52 stores compared with 238 in the United States — offers a chance to the likes of Samsung, Acer and Research in Motion, Forrester said.

But their prices cannot yet compete with Apple, which has far larger scale in the tablet market and an efficient supply chain. Forrester said emerging challengers from China and Taipei would likely step in soon with cheaper offerings.

“There is this opportunity for iPad



The Acer 10.10 Android full capacitive touch screen tablet is seen during a news conference in New York, on 23 November, 2010.

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challengers, but the competition is very fragmented. Competing with Apple will require a different approach from what we’ve seen so far,” said analyst Sarah Rotman Epps, the author of the Forrester report.

Apple still has the tablet-computer market almost to itself after launching the iPad a year and a half ago. It has sold close to 30 million iPads,

whose prices start at about \$500.

Forrester expects Apple to sell 80 percent of all consumer tablets in the United States and 70 percent in Europe this year. It expects 2011 worldwide tablet sales to reach 48 million units, with half of those sold in the United States, 30 percent in Europe, 15 percent in Asia and 5 percent in Latin America.—Reuters

Health

US researchers find another flu antibody



A nurse prepares a vaccine against the flu. US scientists have found an antibody.

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BOSTON, 9 Aug—US scientists have found an antibody that acts against 30 of 36 strains of influenza, the latest discovery in the hunt for a universal treatment and a vaccine, said a study published Monday.

The new broadly neutralizing antibody, called CH65, can stick to the surface part of the flu virus known as hemagglutinin which mutates every season, forcing medical experts to regularly come up with a new vaccine.

It was found in cells from a human volunteer who was given the flu vaccine for 2007, said the study in the Proceedings of the National academy of Sciences.

"What this tells us is that the human immune system can fine-tune its response to the flu and actually produce, albeit at a low frequency, antibodies that neutralize a whole series of strains," said lead author Stephen Harrison of Children's Hospital Boston.

"Our goal is to understand how the immune system selects for antibodies and use that information to get better at making a vaccine that will take you in a direction that favors breadth over specificity."—*Internet*

Spermless mosquitoes could halt malaria spread

LONDON, 9 Aug—Malaria is spread to humans by female mosquitoes who suck blood in order to help their offspring grow, but British scientists said Monday that introducing spermless males could halt the deadly disease.

Scientists at Imperial College London said that by genetically tweaking male mosquitoes to produce no sperm, females would still mate with them but would lay unfertilized eggs that would not hatch into mosquito larvae.

Since the females of the species *Anopheles gambiae* sensu stricto, the main type responsible for spreading malaria in Africa, mate only once in their lives, the discovery could have broad implications for a disease that kills nearly 800,000



An Indian nurse adjusts a patient's intravenous fluid supply in the malaria ward at the King Edward Memorial hospital in Mumbai in 2010.—INTERNET

people per year.

"This study strongly suggests that they cannot tell the difference between a fertile and a spermless mate," said Flaminia Catteruccia, lead author of the study in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences. Scientists created 100 sterile males by injecting a protein into

mosquito eggs that disrupted the development of the males' testes, but did not affect any of their other behaviors or sexual functions. Observing their mating processes in a lab, they found that the males still produced seminal fluid and the females mated with them as usual.

Internet

Early morning smokers at higher risk

HERSHEY, 9 Aug—People who often smoke their first cigarette of the day shortly after waking may increase their risk of lung, head and neck cancers, US researchers say. Joshua Muscat of the Pennsylvania State College of Medicine in Hershey, and colleagues conducted a lung cancer analysis that included 4,775 lung cancer cases and 2,835 controls, all were regular cigarette smokers.

The study, published online ahead of print in the journal *Cancer*, finds that, compared with those who smoked more than 60 minutes after waking, people who smoked 31 to 60 minutes after waking were 1.31 times as likely to develop lung cancer, and those who smoked within 30 minutes were 1.79 times as likely to develop lung cancer.—*Internet*

Business

Brent dives to 6-month low below \$99, US crude at \$76

SINGAPORE, 9 Aug—Brent crude plunged to a six-month trough below \$99 a barrel on Tuesday in a two-session drop of more than \$10, after a US credit downgrade intensified fears about a global slowdown in demand for energy, sending commodities markets tumbling.

Brent crude fell as much as \$5 to \$98.74 a barrel, the lowest intraday

price since February 8, and was down \$4.06 at \$99.68 by 0200 GMT, down from an April peak above \$127. US crude fell \$4.83 to \$76.48, after touching \$75.71, its lowest since September 2010. "I'm surprised how far it has fallen in all markets, this is panic," said Jeremy Friesen, a commodity strategist at Societe Generale in Hong Kong. "Demand hasn't

pulled back in the past day, it's just speculation that it will, but as precipitously as markets are falling, we don't have time to wait for economic data. There are some serious risks to the global economy, so there will be expectations that policymakers will be aggressive in shoring up confidence."—*Reuters*



A fruits vendor waits for customers at a market in Beijing on 9 Aug, 2011.—INTERENT

China inflation rises to 37-month high in July

BEIJING, 9 Aug—China's inflation rose to a 37-month-high in July, adding to pressure on Chinese leaders to cool living costs while keeping economic growth on track as the US and European outlook worsens.

Consumer prices in the world's second-largest economy rose 6.5 percent over a year earlier, up from June's 6.4 percent, data showed Tuesday. That was driven by a 14.8 percent jump in food costs, up from June's 14.4 percent and well above the government's 4 percent target for the year. The jump in prices came despite a slowdown in manufacturing and other economic activity in July following repeated interest rate hikes and other curbs imposed to cool an overheated economy.

Beijing has to strike a difficult balance between stopping in-flation and easing its controls to support Chinese companies as US and European demand weakens, said IHS Global Insight analyst Alistair Thornton.

"They're in a really tough position now," Thornton said. "If they want to start loosening (monetary policy) and buoying up growth, they could face the risk of compounding higher-than-desired inflation."—*Internet*

US, European debt woes call for global cooperation

BEIJING, 9 Aug—With both the United States and the European Union (EU) embroiled in unwieldy debt problems, it is time for the whole world to pick up the in-the-same-boat spirit again and ride out the current crises together. During the past week, worries about the growing public debt loads in the United States and several European countries wiped some 2.5 trillion US dollars off the stock markets worldwide, testifying to the global impact of local financial challenges in today's increasingly globalized world.

Given the mounting economic interdependence among countries, an economically healthy and fiscally sound United States and Europe serve the fundamental interests of the entire international community, including China.—*Xinhua*



A worker collects crude oil sample at an oil well operated by Venezuela's state oil company PDVSA in Morichal on 28 July, 2011.

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It is therefore necessary to carry out these two tasks harmoniously.

In doing so, upgrading and repairing tasks must be carried out ensuring present loading and unloading of cargoes and arrivals and departures of vessels do not stop. On completion of the project, there will be 41 jetties and 43 vessels can enter simultaneously. As it is the project that can handle about 100 million tons of cargoes a year, systematic measures are to be taken to ensure a modern port that can provide services of international standard.

Moreover, for the convenience of cargo trucks, a new Strand Road is under construction. So it is necessary to build parking lots to ensure that there is no traffic conjunction along the new road due to those cargo trucks.

Likewise, it is needed to find suitable land to construct container yards so as to store empty containers that are piled high at ports.

It is needed to ensure that the ongoing works in Thilawa Port Terminal are running systematically in addition to upgrading Yangon Port, stressed the Vice-President. He said that works are to be completed as soon as possible in accordance with conceptual plan for future Yangon Port. The Vice-President and party inspected renovation of the buildings of the Ministry of Energy (Yangon Branch) on Pyay Road which are to be used as extended units of Yangon General Hospital.

The medical superintendent of the hospital and responsible persons reported to the Vice-President on renovation works and designated caring units.

The Vice-President, in response to the reports, called for adequate ventilation and light in constructing the buildings as the hospital. He said that after moving caring units to the new hospital upon its completion, there would be vacant spaces in the old one; that such buildings were to be first repaired if needed and only after providing medical equipment, measures were to be taken to accommodate the patients.



Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo views photos for renovation of the buildings of the Ministry of Energy (Yangon Branch) on Pyay Road which are to be used as extended units of Yangon General Hospital.—MNA

The Vice-President and party then inspected buildings to be built as the hospital. As there has emerged imbalance between patients and hospital beds at Yangon General Hospital in Lanmadaw Township of Yangon, Office of the Ministry of Energy (Yangon Branch) is being built as 500-bed hospital.

The Vice-President and party met the chief minister and ministers of Yangon Region, and Yangon Region-level departmental officials at the Office of Yangon Region Government.

First, the Yangon Region Chief Minister elaborated on accomplishments of guidelines, population and nationalities ratio of the region, climate, area, land utilization, cultivation of 10 major crops and perennial crops, number of industrial zones, power plants, and dams, transportation facilities, net production and service values, per capita income,

number of universities and basic education schools, teacher-student ratio, healthcare infrastructures, extended installation of mobile phones in Kungyangon Township Exchange.

The Vice-President made coordination and delivered a speech, saying that on their return from touring flooded areas in Kayin State and Mon State to assist the victims, they dropped in Yangon Region and inspected development works of Yangon Port.

He said that he called on members of Yangon Region Government to make coordination; that the constitution was ratified in 2008 and respective hluttaws, governments, and other Union level, Region/State level institutions had been formed in line with the constitution and that institutions at different levels were practicing three powers in conformity with the constitution.

Ministers from regions and states are to supervise, manage, coordinate and review the tasks of their respective region and township departmental works, on behalf of the respective governments, he said.

He continued to say that the executive law for the central, region, state, district and township administration officials have been prescribed and plans are underway to present remaining administrative bill for ward/village administration officials at the upcoming Pyidaungsu Hluttaw. After the law is prescribed, necessary measures will be taken in accordance with the law.

Therefore, those who are working for executive, judiciary, and legislation are to work together for development of the State and in the interests of the people as they have been elected by the people, he added.

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Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo inspects renovation of the buildings of the Ministry of Energy (Yangon Branch) on Pyay Road which are to be used as extended units of Yangon General Hospital.

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Regarding the economic projects, the country's GDP for the 2011-2012 has reached 49.92 trillion. Therefore, to reach the increasing rate of GDP 8.8 per cent, targets have been set for each region and township and efforts should be made not only to reach and but also to exceed the targets, he said.

Today, tasks for alleviating poverty in the country have been carried out by the central committee led by the President and work committees. Similarly, sub-committees have been formed in regions and states, he said.

Eight tasks for alleviation of poverty have been laid down and It is necessary to organize the local people to participate in the drive for poverty alleviation and to carry out the tasks in right ways and good-will, he added.

It is also necessary to take care of the fact that the wrong way can lead to different result though the work is noble, and to accomplish the tasks after organizing the people to gain their trust and cooperation, he said. In conclusion, Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo called for the cooperation of the people in implementing the tasks for building a peaceful, modern and developed nation till accomplishing the tasks not to deteriorate the present stability, peace and prevalence of law and order. — MNA

Farmers learn high-yield cultivation methods in fields of Ministry of A & I

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Aug— Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing and Union Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs U Thein Tun conducted 100 farmers from Magway Region round the 100-acre model paddy plantation in Pobbathiri Township here today.

The farmers from Gangaw, Pakokku, Magway and Thayet districts in Magway Region are visiting here to learn scientific plantation of rice, sugarcane and sunflower for high-yield production.

They also visited the 10-acre model high-yield sugarcane plantation and the 40-acre field for educating farmers in Dekkhinathiri Township.

During the visits, the



Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing and Union Minister for CPT U Thein Tun meet farmers of Magway Region.—MNA

Union ministers urged the farmers to use the new cultivation knowledge they gained during the visits when they grow crops in their

respective areas to improve the agricultural sector. They also assured that the Ministry

of Agriculture and Irrigation will fulfil the requirements of the farmers.—MNA

AGM of Development Affairs Bank Ltd held



Union Minister for Border Affairs and for Myanmar Industrial Development Maj-Gen Thein Htay addresses Annual General Meeting of Development Affairs Bank Ltd.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Aug— The Annual General Meeting of Development Affairs Bank Ltd under the Ministry of Border Affairs took place at the ministry here this morning.

It was attended by Union Minister for Border Affairs and for Myanmar Industrial Development Maj-Gen Thein Htay, directors-general and deputy directors-general of the departments under the Ministry of Border Affairs, members of the board of directors of the bank limited, officials of the

Auditor-General's Office and the Central Bank of Myanmar and shareholders of Region/State and Township Development Affairs Committees.

First, the Union Minister explained the purpose of the formation of Development Affairs Bank Ltd, operations of the bank and financial situations from its debut in 1996 to date. Next, officials read reports and the Union Minister gave a concluding remark.

MNA

Flood Warning

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Aug — According to the 12.30 hr MST observation today, the water level of Chindwin River in Monywa is (970) cm. It may exceed above its danger level (1000) cm during the next 24 hours commencing this noon. — MNA

Japanese government, people donate fire engines

YANGON, 9 Aug—The ceremony to donate five fire engines, two foam-extinguishing fire engines to Fire Services Department under the Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement, which was contributed by Japanese government and Japanese citizens, was held at Fire Services

Department (head office) on Oakponseik Road, Mayangon Township here today.

Japanese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Takashi Saito explained the purpose of donation and handed over documents related to the fire engines to Deputy SWRR Minister U Phone Swe.

Next, the deputy minister, the ambassador and party viewed the fire engines.—MNA

Deputy SWRR Minister U Phone Swe accepts documents related to fire engines presented by Japanese Ambassador Mr Takashi Saito.

MNA



We also love river Ayeyawady

Kyaw Min Lu (Shwepyitha)

I am a Myanmar national, so I love the river Ayeyawady. I have travelled up and down the river so many times in life. For me, the Ayeyawady River is a source of safe water and I live on it. That is why I love to the marrow the river Ayeyawady, which is the lifeblood of Myanmar people, and represents so many pages in the Myanmar history.

These days, I have heard repeatedly of talks about the Ayeyawady River, the king of the rivers in Myanmar. In particular, talks about the river are featured from various points of view on Internet articles. According to the article, it seems to me that some are misunderstanding events about the river. Some are using the river as a stepping stone to blame the government with negative attitude. They have created stories with one-sided views as though the Ayeyawady River were on the verge of silting up. Anyone has the right to state their views and opinions on Internet, but they have to take responsibility for what they have created on web blog.

The Myanmar dissidents living in western countries like the US, who are seeking their own interests in expense of national interest, are even louder than anti-government activists in the country in using the name of the Ayeyawady River. To be honest, I love the Ayeyawady River thousands of times more than those Myanmar dissidents do. Therefore, I cannot keep silent if and when there is threat to the waterway. I am confident that the watercourse will continue to exist as long as the world and the land of Myanmar do. In this regard, I would like to present some points for common knowledge.

Certain persons are stating stories as if the Ayeyawady River would be dry up soon due to Myitsone Hydropower Project, like the Yellow River that was dry up due to man's activities. Indeed, that is nonsense. Myitsone Hydropower Plant is being constructed by damming the Ayeyawady River downstream the confluence of the Maykha River and the Malikha River. To be exact, it lies near Tanphe Village, 4.3 miles downstream the confluence. The water that flows into the dam amounts to 410,000 square kilometers, only 47,265 square kilometers of which are used for the dam. That accounts for only 11.5 per cent, so there is no way the Ayeyawady River will be dry up due to the facility. Another point is that the region gets an average annual rainfall of 91 inches. And on average, 128.52 million acre feet of water flows into the river a year. The maximum water storage capacity of Myitsone Dam is only 9.788 million acre feet, accounting for only 7.6 % of the total inflow water. And 92.4 % of the total inflow water spills out into the river.

The Maykha and the Malikha are not the only rivers that meet the Ayeyawady River. So many rivers and streams join the Ayeyawady River including Tarpein River, Shweli River, Zawgyi

River, Panlaung River, Myitnge River, Chindwin River and Dokhtawady River just downstream the Ayeyawady River. In fact, all the water stored in Myitsone Dam will flow into the river through the outlet channel of the hydropower plant when it is in operation. So, it is out of the question that the Ayeyawady River will be dry up in consequence of Myitsone Dam. And the Maykha River and the Malikha River will never be dry up and exist forever with the Ayeyawady River.

There are concerns that the Ayeyawady River will be dry up in summer as it is dammed at the confluence. However, according to the experts undertaking Myitsone Hydropower Project, due to the dam, the average discharge of the Ayeyawady River decreases by 3.5% in the rainy season, but increases by 16% in summer owing to the water that is released from the dam. In summer, ice-capped mountains in Kachin State melt into the Ayeyawady River. So, the discharge of the Ayeyawady River is not in serious conditions at all. The average annual discharge of the Ayeyawady River in summer is 1830 m³/s, but it will increase to 2120 m³/s when the dam is completed. So, the water level downstream the Ayeyawady River will be about 1.5 feet higher than normal. Therefore, concerns over the Ayeyawady River are unnecessary and they can rest assured. I would say that the Ayeyawady River will never be dry up, and there will be no adverse effects on the industries that rely on the river such as agricultural farming, businesses, social affairs and waterway transport.

Furthermore, some say in their talks that Myitsone Dam is close to Sagaing earthquake zone, and if an earthquake takes place, the whole Myitkyina will be flooded. Some express their concerns that the embankment of the dam will be broken and the stored water will let flow outside through its gates if the dam receives excessive water when heavy rains persist for a long time. In that case, Myitsone Dam is Concrete Face Rock-filled Dam (CFRD). CFRD type dam is more resistant to earthquakes than zone type dams. To make it clear, an earthquake measuring 8.3 on the Richter scale hit Sichuan Province some years ago, but there was not any damage to Skuibuya Dam in the province. Shuibuya Dam is of CFRD type. Myitsone Dam is of CFRD type to be resistant enough to strong earthquakes. Experts designed the dam to be an earthquake-proof one. In addition, the dam has spillways and outlets and is installed with a monitoring system. So, it is impossible that the embankment of the dam will be broken and the stored water will be released for some reason. Regarding the flood control, the projects will be able to store around 0.85 billion m³. Previous to the dam, Myitkyina faces floods once in every five years on average, but after Myitsone Dam Project is completed, the region can encounter floods only once in every 20 years.

Some are concerned that all the silt carried along the Maykha River and the Malikha River will be blocked by Myitsone Dam. So, later, alluvium will be scarce in the Delta, and that will deal a blow to local farmers. They are like red-wattled lapwings that put themselves upside down while they sleep in fear that the sky may fall. In fact, the dam is not that dangerous. I have said that apart from the Maykha River and the Malikha River, hundreds of other rivers and creeks flow into the Ayeyawady River. Therefore, they remain carrying silt into the river. As far as I am concerned, the dam also has silt excluders designed to let the silt in the dam get out of the dam when it piles up on the bed of the dam. So, the silt in the dam will go into the Ayeyawady River later. So, there is no need to mention it.

An Internet article says that over 20,000 people from 47 villages were displaced due to Myitsone Dam Project. In reality, only 2146 people of 410 households from the five villages that are in the project area: Tanphe, Kyeinkharan, Myitsone, Khappar/Aunggyayan and Daungpan are all who are relocated. The five villages have been reconstituted into Aungmyintha Model Village and Maliyan Model Village with better houses and buildings than previous ones to meet all the characteristics of a model village.

To my dismay, some say that mangrove forests in the Delta will be extinct stemming from Myitsone Dam Project. As a matter of fact, the discharge of the Ayeyawady River will remain almost normal, so there will be no effects on the mangrove swamps. Since the clone "Nargis", the government has been stepping up conservation of mangrove forests in cooperation with local non-governmental organizations and international non-governmental organizations. So, mangrove forests will be thriving more than ever.

The government carried out detailed feasibility study for the project. It has found out possible environmental impact due to the dam since December 2007. The dam is being built based on the findings of the study. Survey was carried out jointly by many international companies and over 100 Myanmar experts.

With an installed capacity of 6000 megawatts (8x750 megawatts), Ayeyawady Myitsone Hydropower Plant will be able to generate 29,400 million kilowatt hours a year. The term of the project is over nine years. The People's Republic of China undertakes the project as Foreign Direct Investment (FDI). Someone can ask why the government gave the green light to the neighbouring country to implement such a huge project instead of doing it itself. Internet stories carry so many comments on the project. The major barrier to the project is lack of fund. The project will be highly beneficial, and it needs huge investments. Supposing if another country wants to build a similar dam, it can get loans from the World Bank or Asia Development Bank and make investments by itself. However, Myanmar is still facing economic sanctions due to the demand of a handful of people who consider that they will come to power only if the country comes under an economic downturn. In consequence, Myanmar has not got any international loans and aid for nearly 20 years,

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I am confident that the watercourse will continue to exist as long as the world and the land of Myanmar do.



Singaporean Ambassador Mr Robert Chua Hian Kong welcomes Union Foreign Affairs Minister U Wunna Maung Lwin at reception to mark 46th National Day of Singapore, at Sedona Hotel in Yangon on 9 August.
MNA

Myanmar, China to strengthen cooperation in mining industry



Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik receives Chinese Commerce Councilor to Myanmar Mr Jin Honggen and party.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Aug—Chinese Commerce Councilor to Myanmar Mr Jin Honggen and party called on Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik at the minister's office here this morning.

The two discussed further cooperation in mining industry. Also present at the call were the Director-General of Mining Department, the Managing Director of Myanma Gems Enterprise.—MNA

Dy Construction Minister meets Mon State engineers in-charge

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Aug—Deputy Minister for Construction U Soe Tint met state, district and township engineers in-charge and staff at the office of Mon State Superintending Engineer in Mawlamyine, Mon State

on 5 August. The Deputy Minister in meeting with them called for betterment of roads and bridges in the rainy season, spending the budget in accord with rules and regulations, prettifying governmental buildings,

guesthouses and staff quarters, security measures, readiness of machines and construction materials, minimizing of loss and wastage and worksite safety.

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We also love river...

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and it has to work on self-reliant basis. I believe every reader understands that point by now.

Every project has pros and cons. In implementing jointly a project, the host country has to enjoy benefits from it but to make some sacrifices. Anyhow, without any doubt, leaders of the State, in implementing the project, ensure minimizing sacrifices and most benefits. Due to FDI for Myitsone Dam Project, the country will enjoy royalty energy to a certain percentage and benefits, and will have the rights to sell energy or purchase more energy from the project. So, groundless are the accusations that the project is

designed just for China, not for Myanmar. Any State leaders will not give the green light to implement a project that is not beneficial to the nation and the people. They should have known it.

So far, the project has created over 2600 jobs. When it is completed, it will create more jobs. To complete Myitsone Dam Project, a road (about 261 miles long) will be built along the east bank of the Maykha River from the confluence to Yinan, and another road (about 170 miles long) on the west bank of the Malikha River from the confluence to Laizar. And there will be seven bridges on the roads. They are fruitful results to national brethren.

Overall, every matter has strengths and weaknesses. What is needed is that we should

assess strong points as well as weak points. It put it another way, we should have correct views on things. If a person things with negative attitude and extreme views, he cannot see the truth. I wish they would view Myitsone Dam Project reasonably. This article is aimed to help the public realize the points about the project. Not as they have said, the project is not designed to trouble Myanmar people who love the Ayeyawady River. We also love the river Ayeyawady, which is the lifeblood of our country. We never accept any threats to the river. I am confident that the entire Myanmar people will enjoy the fruits of Myitsone Dam Project on the everlasting river Ayeyawady.

Translation: MS

Amendment to note of Election Objection No. 3/2011 heard

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Aug—Chairman of Union Election Commission and all members heard Amendment to note of Election Objection No. 3/2011 at the office of the Union Election Commission, here, at 10 am today.—MNA

Australian companies to invest in agricultural production



Union Minister U Myint Hlaing receives Project Developer (Import & Export) of Cartis Trading (Australia) Pty, Ltd, Board Member of Sydney Chinese Lions Club Mr Robert Chu.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Aug—Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing received Project Developer (Import & Export) of Cartis Trading (Australia) Pty, Ltd, Board Member of Sydney Chinese Lions Club Mr Robert Chu and Chief Executive of Twynam

Agriculture Group Mr Johnny Kahibetzer and In-charge Mr Tim de Mestre at his office here this morning.

The meeting focused on investment in agriculture especially in paddy, maize and wheat cultivation.

MNA

School health week activities launched in Nay Pyi Taw

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Aug—Union Minister for Education Dr Mya Aye accompanied by member of Nay Pyi Taw Council U Than Aung and Director-General of Department of Myanmar Education Research Bureau U Ohn Myint, encouraged school health week activities in basic education schools here this morning.

The Union Minister while visiting

No. 1 and No. 16 Basic Education High Schools, viewed activities of school health week and called the students for personal hygiene and to try to be strong and bright students.

The Union Minister looked round the school health educative booths and viewed students receiving medical checks-up and having nourishing foods.

MNA

Human trafficking talks held in Kayan Tsp

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Aug—The educative talks on human trafficking was held at General Administration Department in Kayan Township, Yangon South District on 30 June. Township Administrator U Tin Myint made an

opening speech.

Deputy Township Judge Daw Nan Zin Wai Thaw, township Law Officer Daw Tin Tin Moe and Police Inspector Kyaw Thein of township police force gave talks.—MNA

Buddha sacred tooth relic...

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to Yangon and then it was kept in Yangon for 17 days. The second time period of paying obeisance to the tooth relic lasted 45 days. The third time of paying obeisance to the tooth relic lasted 20 days at Mana Pasana Cave on Kaba Aye Hill, then it was conveyed to Mandalay by air and 21-day obeisance was paid to the tooth relic in Mandalay. Afterwards, the tooth relic was conveyed to Yangon from Mandalay. The public obeisance for the tooth relic lasted 90 days.

In commemoration of conveying the sacred tooth relic in Myanmar, two Tooth Relic Pagodas were built in Yangon and Mandalay. Two replica tooth relics are kept at two Tooth Relic Pagodas in Yangon and Mandalay for public obeisance.

For the fourth time, arrangements have been made for conveying the tooth relic to Nay Pyi Taw, Yangon and Mandalay to enable the people across the nation to pay obeisance to the Buddha tooth relic.

The tooth relic will be kept at the cave of Uppatasanti Pagoda in Nay Pyi Taw, at Maha Pasana Cave on Kaba Aye Hill in Yangon and Maha Atula Waiyan Monastery in Mandalay. After paying obeisance, the tooth relic will be re-conveyed to Kwanjis Temple of Beijing in China.

As the conveying the Buddha sacred tooth relic was signed the contract for smooth tasks of conveyance to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, security plans are to be drawn completely.

The leading committee, the working committee, the subcommittees are to report the timetable on the period before conveying the tooth relic, period of public obeisance and date for re-conveying the tooth relic, and officials are to participate in discussions on complete conveyance of Buddha sacred tooth relic.

Union Minister Thura U Myint Maung reported on obeisance to the Buddha sacred tooth relic in Myanmar in 1955 for the first time, in 1994 for the second time and 1996-97 for the third time, formation of the leading committee, the working committee and the subcommittees to convey the tooth relic from China to Myanmar, the proposed date for conveying the tooth relic and plans for public obeisance to tooth relic at the cave of Uppatasanti Pagoda in Nay Pyi



Coordination meeting for conveying Buddha Tooth Relic from People's Republic of China in progress.—MNA

Taw, Maha Pasana Cave on Kaba Aye Hill in Yangon and Maha Atula Waiyan Monastery (Atumashi) in Mandalay.

Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs Dr Myo Myint, Construction of Gandakuti Chamber, Decoration and Vehicle Subcommittee Secretary Managing Director U Kyaw Lin of Public Works, Chairman of Meal Service Subcommittee Deputy Minister for Hotels and Tourism U Htay Aung, Chairman of the Invitation, Reception and Accommodation Subcommittee Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs Dr Maung Maung Htay, Chairman of Financial Subcommittee Deputy Minister for Finance and Revenue U Win Than, Secretary of Transport Subcommittee Director-General U Win Pe of Transport Department, Chairman of Information Subcommittee Deputy Minister for Information U Soe Win, Chairman of Health Subcommittee Deputy Minister for Health Dr Daw Myat Myat Ohn Khin, Secretary of Security Subcommittee MPF Chief Kyaw Kyaw Tun, Chairman of Religious and Social Association Obeisance Subcommittee Deputy Minister for Culture Daw Sanda Khin and Adviser at the President

Office U Arnt Maung reported on their respective sectors.

Patrons Union Minister Lt-Gen Ko Ko and Union Minister U Thein Nyunt, members of the Working Committee Commander Brig-Gen Maung Maung Aye, Deputy Minister for Energy U Soe Aung, Deputy Minister for Electric Power No. 2 U Aung Than Oo, Nay Pyi Taw Council member U Than Htay, Yangon Region Minister for Social Affairs Dr Myint Thein, and Mandalay Region Minister for Forestry and Mines U Than Soe Myint participated in discussions.

After reviewing the discussions, the Vice-President said that he expressed thanks for reports of respective subcommittees for conveying the sacred tooth relic from China to Myanmar. He stressed the need to draw the systematic plans for conveyance and to go right down to the grassroots level, to strive for peaceful public obeisance to the tooth relic in Nay Pyi Taw in the fourth time conveyance, to enable the people along the route to pay obeisance to the tooth relic and make cash and kind, and to take care of security.

MNA

Union Transport Minister visits MITT, Myanmar Maritime University

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Aug—Union Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung on 7 August morning visited Myanmar International Terminal Thilawa in Kyauktan Township, and gave instructions on safety measures for ocean vessels and efforts for providing port



Union Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung inspects Myanmar International Terminal (Thilawa).—MNA

services of international standard and development of the terminal as the State will earn more income and the local people will enjoy job opportunities if port services develop.

He inspected arrivals and departures of foreign vessels at MITT and at MIPL Port.

He viewed the physical model of Yangon River course that will facilitate development of Yangon Port and research works. He then gave instructions on cooperation of experts from the university and officials of Myanma Port Authority in drawing the master plan for enabling 35000-ton vessels to enter and exit the Yangon River although only 15000-ton vessels can do so now.—MNA

Flood Bulletin

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Aug—According to (12:30) hr MST observation today, the water level of Chindwin River at Mawlaik (1240) cm has exceeded by (10) cm above its danger level. It may continue to rise about (60) cm (2ft) during the next 48 hours commencing this noon and will remain above its danger level (1230) cm.

The water level of Chindwin River at Kalewa (1622) cm has exceeded by (72) cm about (2.4 ft) above its danger level. It may continue to rise above (120) cm (4 ft) during the next (48) hours commencing this noon and will remain above its danger level (1550) cm.

The water level of Shwegyin River at Shwegyin (724) cm has exceeded by (24) cm about (0.8 ft) above its danger level. It may remain above its danger level (700) cm during the next (48) hours commencing this noon.

The water level of Bago River at Bago (914) cm has exceeded by (4) cm above its danger level. It may continue to rise about (30) cm (1ft) during the next (48) hours commencing this noon and will remain above its danger level (910) cm.

The water level of Thanlwin River at Hpa-an (809) cm has exceeded by (59) cm (about 2 ft) above its danger level. It may remain above its danger level (750) cm during the next (48) hours commencing this noon announced the Department of Meteorology and Hydrology.—MNA



Tourists and geologists visit the Basalt Canyon in Chaihe Township of Zalantun City, Hulun Buir, north China's Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region, on 7 Aug, 2011. Chaihe Township of Zalantun City locates in the interior of Greater Hinggan Mountain. A total of 15 volcanic craters were discovered in recent years in Chaihe.—XINHUA

Chicago grains tumble on US debt downgrade

CHICAGO, 9 Aug—Chicago grains tumbled on Monday after Standard & Poor's cut the US credit rating, as investors worried over the condition of US economy as well as the demand for grains around the world. Besides, expectation of improving weather added to the negative tone.

The most active corn contract for Dec delivery shed 17 cents, or 2.4 percent, to close at 6.86 US dollars per bushel. Sept wheat lost 22.5 cents, or 3.3 percent, to 6.565 dollars per bushel. Nov soybean fell 24.5 cents, or 1.8 percent, to 13.115 dollars per bushel.

Market analysts said that the

aggressive selloff is based on the fears that a slowing world economic condition would dampen demands for food after Standard & Poor's downgraded the US credit rating late Friday.

The New York crude oil fell to an eight-month low and equities further plunged, extending loss in the prior week.

Moreover, most areas of the Midwest have seen good rains and weather forecast called for some rain and more normal temperatures in the next 10 days, which further weighed on the market sentiment.

Xinhua

Chimps like to help others, study finds

WASHINGTON, 9 Aug—Female chimpanzees like to spontaneously help others rather than act selfishly, suggesting altruism may not be a uniquely human trait, US researchers said on Monday.

Scientists at the Yerkes National Primate Research Centre in the southeastern state of Georgia tested seven female chimpanzees to see if observations of the species' generous behavior in the field matched their decisions in a lab.

Given a choice of two coloured tokens, one which guaranteed a banana treat for two and the other which gave a reward for the chooser only, the chimps tended to pick the social option, said the study in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

Previous studies have suggested that chimps tend to act selfishly in so-called pro-social tests.

The researchers also found that chimps most often acted generously when the waiting partner

reminded the chooser gently of her presence but did not act up or bully her into picking a treat for two.

"We were excited to find female after female chose the option that gave both her and her partner food," said lead author Victoria Horner.

Internet



A two-week-old newborn female Common chimpanzee plays with her mother Zuri at Guadalajara Zoo in March 2011. Female chimpanzees like to spontaneously help others rather than act selfishly, suggesting altruism may not be a uniquely human trait, US researchers said.

INTERNET

Beached baby whale returned to sea, but no sign of mum

SYDNEY, 9 Aug—A baby whale that beached in Australia has been returned to the ocean, but fears remained Monday over whether the infant humpback would be able to find its mother.

The week-old whale landed at Surfers Paradise on the Gold Coast in the early hours of Monday and was returned to deep water some 12 hours later in an operation that involved rescuers hauling the calf into the surf.

Staff from the nearby Sea World marine park and Gold Coast lifeguards searched from air and sea for the calf's mother without success.

"The hope of this exercise is that he will now be able to communicate with his mother but we don't know where his mother is," said Sea World's Trevor Long, who directed the rescue involving some 50 people.

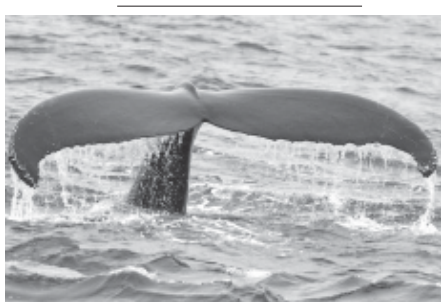
"However, they can communicate for many tens of kilometres so if his mother is 20 or 30 kilometres away she might be able to pick him up."

Long said the animal had been lying on one pectoral fin all night and was clearly sore and not moving freely. The baby would also only survive for up to five days without feeding from its mother, he added.

He admitted the creature could return to the beach.

"We've done everything we can at this stage but at some point in time we'll have to leave the animal and let nature take its course," he said.

Internet



The flukes of a Humpback whale. A baby whale that beached in Australia has been returned to the ocean, but fears remained over whether the infant humpback would be able to find its mother.—INTERNET

Mexico, Canada to boost two-way air travel

An attendant stands in the Presidential suite of Tianjin Aircraft Carrier Hotel in Tianjing on 8 Aug, 2011. The first aircraft carrier hotel in China, which lies in the Kiev aircraft carrier, the former Soviet Union's flagship of the Pacific Fleet, has completed the interior decoration of two presidential suites.

XINHUA



MEXICO CITY, 9 Aug—Mexico and Canada have inked a new deal to boost air travel between the two countries, authorities said.

Under the agreement, airlines from the two countries will be allowed to fly to any destination within their territories, and it is now for these airlines themselves to decide flight frequency as well the type and size of their planes, Mexican Communications and Transport Ministry said in a statement.

Mexican officials said the deal will bolster civil aviation in both countries and offer new routes and more choices to travellers, thus helping enhance trade ties and investment cooperation. Presently most of the 12 Mexican airlines have domestic service only.—Xinhua

Indian stocks open 2.75 pct lower on melting world markets

MUMBAI, 9 Aug—Indian main stock index Sensex opened at 16,517.87 points Tuesday, 467.31 points or 2.75 percent lower from previous close of 16,990.18 points on downgrading of US credit rating.

The index lost 353.58 points or 2.08 percent after 32 minutes of trading in the morning session with all sectors in heavy losses. IT, technological, metal and health care sectors dived 3.59 percent, 3.29 percent, 2.77 percent and 2.61 percent, respectively.

Tata Consultancy Services, Tata Motors, WIPRO and Tata Steel headed the slump down 4.81 percent, 4.4 percent, 3.67 percent and 3.85 percent. Meanwhile,

automobile manufacturer Mahindra and Mahindra, Bajaj Auto, Oil and Natural gas Corporation and consumer goods maker ITC gained 1.14 percent, 0.82 percent, 0.73 percent and 0.03 percent.

Sensex is the common name for the Bombay Stock Exchange Sensitive Index. It consists of the 30 largest and most actively traded stocks, representative of various sectors, on the Bombay Stock Exchange.—Xinhua

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The father of polar bear attack survivor Patrick Flinders described his son as a hero.—INTERNET

Polar bear attack survivor Patrick Flinders 'a hero'

LONDON, 9 Aug — The father of a teenager who survived an Arctic polar bear attack has spoken of his son's ordeal and recovery. Terry Flinders said his 16-year-old son Patrick, who suffered a fractured skull and had to have some of the bear's teeth removed from his head, was a "hero" for attacking the animal. Patrick, who is from Jersey, and fellow survivor Scott Bennell-Smith, 16, were flown to the UK on Sunday.

Horatio Chapple, 17, died in Friday's attack, on Spitsbergen island, Nor-

way. All four survivors injured in the attack have been receiving treatment at a hospital in Tromsø.

Mr Flinders said his son was being treated at Southampton General Hospital, while he believed that Scott Bennell-Smith, 16, from St Mellion in Cornwall, was taken to a hospital in Plymouth. The British Schools Exploring Society, a youth development charity which organised the expedition, has not yet decided when the two other Britons will fly home.

Internet



Performers, dressed up as people in the Qing Dynasty (1644-1911), present a body sculpture show during the Second Qianmen Historic and Cultural Festival on Qianmen Street in Beijing, capital of China, on 7 Aug, 2011. The 10-day festival kicked off here on Sunday.

XINHUA

Exercise should be 'standard part of cancer care'

LONDON, 9 Aug — All patients getting cancer treatment should be told to do two and a half hours of physical exercise every week, says a report by Macmillan Cancer Support. Being advised to rest and take it easy after treatment is an outdated view, the charity says. Research shows that exercise can reduce the risk of dying from cancer and minimise the side effects of treatment. The Department of Health says local initiatives can get people moving. Macmillan's report, Move More, says that of the two million cancer survivors in the UK, around 1.6 million are not physically active enough. Adult cancer patients and cancer survivors should undertake 150 minutes of moderate intensity physical activity per week, the reports says, which is what the Department of Health guidelines recommend.— Internet

THE REPUBLIC OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR MINISTRY OF ENERGY MYANMA OIL AND GAS ENTERPRISE NO.44, COMPLEX, NAY PYI TAW MYANMAR

FAX : 067-411125/411178

INVITATION FOR BIDS

1. BIDS are invited by the MYANMA OIL AND GAS ENTERPRISE, NO.44, COMPLEX, NAY PYI TAW, MYANMAR for the supply of

(AA) IFB NO.1 (T) MCY-MOGE/EXP (2011-2012) CAP

1. Natural Gas Pipe Line Booster Compressor Unit - (2) NAP

(BB) IFB NO.2 (T) MCY-MOGE/EXP (2011-2012) CAP

1. Pressure Reduction Skids, Metering System & Gas Supply Accessories - (5) NAP

2. Bidding documents shall be available commencing from 11th August, 2011 up to 5th September, 2011 at the Finance Department, Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise, No.44, Complex, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar during office hour by payment to the order of Myanma Foreign Trade Bank attesting remittance of US\$ 100 (US Dollars : One Hundred Only) in favour of Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise (or) FEC 100 (FEC : One Hundred Only) to the above office for each set of document.

3. Bids shall be accepted only from the bidders who officially purchased the bidding document and for each quotation is needed to refer each set of bidding document.

4. The Bids received shall be opened in the presence of Bidders or Representatives who choose to attend at 13:00 hours on 12th September, 2011 at the office of Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise, No. 44, Complex, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar.

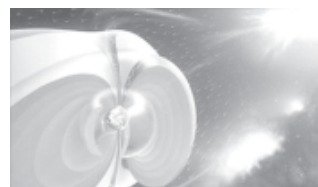
Managing Director
Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise

Antimatter belt around Earth discovered by Pamela craft

LONDON, 9 Aug—A thin band of antimatter particles called antiprotons enveloping the Earth has been spotted for the first time. The find, described in *Astrophysical Journal Letters*, confirms theoretical work that predicted the Earth's magnetic field could trap antimatter. The team says a small number of antiprotons lie between the Van Allen belts of trapped "normal" matter.

The researchers say there may be enough to implement a scheme using antimatter to fuel future spacecraft. The antiprotons were spotted by the Pamela satellite (an acronym for Payload for Antimatter Matter Exploration and Light-nuclei Astrophysics) - launched in 2006 to study the nature of high-energy particles from the Sun and from beyond our Solar System — so-called cosmic rays.

These cosmic ray particles can slam into molecules that make up the Earth's atmosphere, creating showers of particles. Many of the cosmic ray particles or these "daughter" particles they create are caught in the Van Allen belts, doughnut-shaped regions where the Earth's



The antiprotons lie sandwiched between the inner and outer Van Allen belts (in red) around the Earth.—INTERNET

magnetic field traps them. Among Pamela's goals was to specifically look for small numbers of antimatter particles among the far more abundant normal matter particles such as protons and the nuclei of helium atoms.

Internet

Internet

Murder weapon found in French tourist killings

PARIS, 9 Aug — Police found on Saturday the murder weapon with which two French tourists were killed in northwestern Argentina and arrested six people, the judge working the case said. "The 22 caliber weapon was found in the home of a neighbour of one of those arrested today, who had confessed to where it was hidden," said Marcelo Baez, a spokesman for the Salta justice department.

The latest arrests, including that of the daughter of a former police officer and a police cadet, brought to seven the total number of people detained in the case, Judge Martin Perez told AFP. Construction worker Daniel Vilde was arrested early this week for his links to the purchase or sale of the weapon.

Internet



Police have found the gun used to murder two French women last week in a tourist area of northwestern Argentina, the judge said on Saturday. Six more people have been arrested in connection with the case. — INTERNET



Nazca boobies are sea-going birds.— INTERNET

Abused baby boobies grow up to abuse other chicks

LONDON, 9 Aug — Chicks abused by older birds are more likely to grow up to become abusers themselves, scientists have found. Researchers studying a colony of Nazca boobies, a colonial seabird, found the birds perpetuate a "cycle of violence". Juvenile birds that are maltreated by older, non-relatives grow up to become more violent towards other chicks.

It is the first evidence from a wild animal that, as in humans, "child abuse" can be socially transmitted down the generations. Details of the discovery are published in the journal *The Auk* by Martina Müller, David Anderson and colleagues from Wake Forest University, North Carolina, US. Nazca boobies are sea-going birds that live in the eastern tropical Pacific, nesting on the Galapagos Islands, and on islands off the coasts of Ecuador, Peru and Colombia.

Woman offers \$5,000 reward for missing cat

A Canadian woman says she is offering a \$5,000 reward to anyone who can find her missing cat Kitty.

Barbara Cook, a teacher in Fort St John, said her 2-year-old, gray-and-white cat disappeared July 30 while being cared for by Cook's mother in Kelowna while Cook was on vacation, *The Okanagan* Sunday reported.

Despite searching the neighbourhood, putting up flyers, taking out classified ads and posting online, Cook says she hasn't found any sign of her pet, the newspaper said.

"I'm very desperate. She's my family," Cook told GlobalBC.com. "I'm not a crazy cat lady. I just really want her back."



Renana (L), a 3-week-old sand kitten, is seen next to her mother Rotem at the Ramat Gan Safari near Tel Aviv on 8 August, 2011. The kitten is the first of the sand cat species, considered extinct in Israel, to be born at the safari park, an open-air zoo, a statement from the safari said.



A dog catches a frisbee during the Russian dog frisbee championship in Moscow on 7 August, 2011.

Lightning strikes man, passes to sink

A British man who was struck by lightning said he credits a chance encounter with a metal sink with saving his life.

Kevin Holden, 61, of Barrowford, England, said he went outside in the rain to retrieve his golf umbrella and a blue flash threw him about 4 feet into the air while he was re-

entering the house, *The Sun* reported Monday.

Holden said he grabbed a stainless steel sink to steady himself and saw an arc of electricity shoot from his thumb to the basin.

"It was a brilliant flash of light. I could only think that I had been struck by lightning," Holden said. "I was lucky. I had a pair of trainers on but if I had bare feet it could have been very different."

"When paramedics came they were looking for an entry point and an exit wound but they said the lightning must have passed around my body. It must have traveled to earth down the sink," he said. "I was lucky. I felt like I had hangover, my head was ringing."

Woman mistakenly reported murdered

A Washington state woman who was incorrectly reported to be a murder victim said she is "not ready to be buried."

Cheri Taylor (formerly Cheri Schumann) said she was shocked to find an article in the Kennewick, Wash, Tri-City Herald about the Kennewick High School Class of 1971 reunion incorrectly placed her among seven classmates who had been slain, the newspaper reported Monday.

"My sister was very upset," said Taylor, of Mill Creek. "It was very

unsettling. I've felt creepy all day."

"I'm happy and healthy and kicking. I'm not ready to be buried," Taylor said.

Debra Blum, co-chairwoman of the class reunion, said the mistaken information came from an e-mail believed to have been sent by a classmate. She said she has since learned another classmate reported murdered in the article, Leo Marcel, actually died in 2004 after a lengthy illness.

News Album

Singer Gavin DeGraw injured in New York assault

NEW YORK, 9 Aug—Singer Gavin DeGraw, whose hits include "I Don't Want to Be," suffered a broken nose and was hospitalized after he was attacked by a group on a New York City street.

It was not clear what led to the attack in the city's East Village, or how many individuals assaulted DeGraw, New York police spokesman Lieutenant John Grimpel said. He said the attack happened in the early morning hours on Monday.



Gavin DeGraw arrives for the 2009 Songwriters Hall of Fame 40th Anniversary Induction Ceremony and Gala at the Marriott Marquis Hotel in New York on 18 June, 2009.—INTERNET

A representative for the 34-year-old DeGraw issued a statement saying, "Gavin DeGraw was assaulted late Sunday night and taken to the emergency room at Bellevue Hospital by ambulance. He is currently under observation." DeGraw was listed in stable condition at Bellevue Hospital Centre after suffering the broken nose and facial cuts in the attack, Grimpel said. The identities of the singer's attackers remain unknown, he added.

Reuters

People listen to a band performing outside. Professional musicians are being "emotionally blackmailed" into performing for free at charity concerts, the Musicians' Union said.

INTERNET



Musicians 'blackmailed' into charity gigs

LONDON, 9 Aug—Professional musicians are being "emotionally blackmailed" into performing for free at charity concerts, Britain's Musicians' Union said Monday.

"It is wrong that many performing artists are expected to work for nothing when they are engaged for charitable and fundraising events," the union said.

"It is extremely unfair to put professional musicians into a situation where they are emotionally blackmail-

ed into working for no fee and are asked to give their services to a good cause.

"This is particularly unjust when others associated with the event, such as venue staff, lawyers and caterers, are being paid."

The union intends to put a motion to the annual Trades Union Congress next month. They will also raise the problem of internships which do not pay a proper rate.

Internet



Rebecca Zhu (C), Hyman Chu (L) and Whitney Hu pose for a group photo during the final of Miss Hong Kong 2011 in Hong Kong, south China, on 7 Aug, 2011.

XINHUA

LA children's hospital gets art by Michael Jackson

LOS ANGELES, 9 Aug—Sketches by Michael Jackson as well as a signed portrait of the entertainer will decorate the walls of Children's Hospital Los Angeles. Jackson's three children — Prince, Paris and Blanket — were on hand Monday to unveil the donated artwork. They include a dozen sketches drawn and signed by Jackson and a photographed portrait of him.

The works depicting Mickey Mouse, furniture and other objects were donated by Brett Livingstone-Strong, an artist and friend of Jackson's. Former "Entertainment Tonight" host Mary Hart, a hospital trustee, arranged the donation. She says the sketches show a different side of Jackson.—Internet



Members of the Jackson family pose on 8 Aug, 2011 at Children's Hospital in Los Angeles after presentation of 13 pieces of original artwork by pop icon Michael Jackson, were donated to the hospital.—INTERNET

Tevez facing uncertain future after City return

LONDON, 9 Aug — Want-away striker Carlos Tevez returned to Manchester City's training ground on Monday with



Want-away striker Carlos Tevez, returned to Manchester City's training ground on Monday with the Argentina forward's future still up for debate.— INTERNET

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Tevez has repeatedly insisted he wants to leave City, having said he wanted to be closer to his two young children, who live with his estranged wife in Argentina.

But a possible move to Brazilian side Corinthians broke down last month and Tevez has since been linked with joining Italian giants Inter Milan.

Tevez, who joined City from local rivals Manchester United two seasons ago, told an Argentinian television programme in June he would not return to Manchester even for a vacation and complained about the weather."

Internet

Federer turns 30 but no retirement party planned

MONTREAL, 9 Aug — Roger Federer celebrated his 30th birthday in typical low-key fashion on Monday but the Swiss tennis great has no intention of fading quietly away from the game.

With 67 career titles, including a record 16 Grand Slams, Federer has already proven he is a man for all seasons but can he stand the test of time?

Federer will begin to answer that question this week at the Rogers Cup. Still number three in the world rankings and an opponent others still want to avoid, Federer's 30th hardly had the air of a retirement party.

Certainly, no one views this season as the end of the line for the "Federer Express" but he is steaming into treacherous

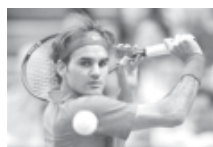
territory.

Andre Agassi, Pete Sampras, Jimmy Connors and Federer's childhood hero Rod Laver all added to their Grand Slam totals in their 30s but more tennis careers have sputtered to inglorious ends than soared to new heights.

Federer spent 285 weeks at the top of the world rankings and Connors, for one, does not

see any reason why the Swiss maestro could not be number one again — if he is willing to pay the price.

Internet



Switzerland's Roger Federer

SPORTS

Leonardo welcomes "world class" Pastore to PSG

PARIS, 9 Aug — Javier Pastore was unveiled as a Paris Saint-Germain player on Monday, with sporting director Leonardo hailing him as "a player of world class". The 22-year-old Argentinian signed from Italian Serie A side Palermo on Saturday for 42 million euros.

"Javier is a world class player, very important for us," said Leonardo. "We are very happy that he chose to continue his career in Paris after Palermo."

PSG, under their new Qatari owners, have spent over 84 million euros during the summer, more than any other club in Europe, as they brought in Jeremy Menez, Blaise Matuidi, Salvatore Sirigu and Kevin Gameiro. "He is a player who already understands what we are trying to do at PSG," said Leonardo.

Internet



Paris Saint-Germain's newly recruited Argentinian midfielder Javier Pastore.

INTERNET

Italy and Spain top bill in international week

PARIS, 9 Aug — With a vital set of European Championship qualifiers to come next month, this midweek's card of friendly fixtures offers a chance for coaches across the continent to do some fine-tuning.

It may be early in the season, but there are plenty of potentially exciting games on Wednesday, in particular the visit of reigning World and European champions Spain to Italy.

Vicente Del Bosque's side have a perfect record in Euro 2012 qualifying group I, and with their presence at next year's finals in Poland and Ukraine all but guaranteed, the match in Bari is a chance for some of those on the fringes of the first team to stake a claim for a regular place.

Spain make the journey minus several members of the side that triumphed in South Africa last year, with Carles

Puyol, Joan Capdevila, Cesc Fabregas and Sergio Ramos all either injured or short of fitness.

In addition, Xavi Hernandez withdrew on Monday citing a calf injury, but his Barcelona teammate Thiago Alcantara has been rewarded for a stunning pre-season with a first call-up, and Malaga left-back Nacho Monreal is also named.

Internet

Arsenal sign Oxlade-Chamberlain



Arsenal have signed teenage Southampton winger Alex Oxlade-Chamberlain.—INTERNET

LONDON, 9 Aug — Arsenal have signed teenage Southampton winger Alex Oxlade-Chamberlain, the Premier League club announced on Monday, for what appeared to be an English record for a 17-year-old. Southampton, newly promoted to the second-tier Championship said Oxlade-Chamberlain had left for a "club record fee" without revealing a figure.

However, that would mean the 17-year-old son of former England international Mark Chamberlain, had left for more than the £12 million (\$20 million) Arsenal paid Southampton for England winger Theo Walcott in 2006. Some reports have

suggested the transfer is worth £15 million (\$25 million), which would be an English record for a player Oxlade-Chamberlain's age.

Oxlade-Chamberlain has yet to play at a level higher than League One, English football's third division. But last season he impressed with 10 goals in 41 appearances as south coast club Southampton won promotion to the Championship. Oxlade-Chamberlain has also been capped by England at Under-18, Under-19 and Under-21 levels.—Internet



Tiger Woods

Madrid signs 7-year-old Argentine prospect Leo

MADRID, 9 Aug — Real Madrid has signed a seven-year-old football prospect from Argentina, who goes by the name Leo.

Leonel Angel Coira has signed with the Spanish club and will begin training 6 Sept, Madrid spokesman Juan Tapiador tells *The Associated Press*. Argentine sports daily *Ole* reported last week that Coira had become the youngest player signed by Madrid but Tapiador said he is not.

Coira told *Ole* that his idol was Barcelona and Argentina star Lionel Messi, who also goes by

Still acting like the old Tiger in a new world

JOHNS CREEK, 9 Aug — Tiger Woods stepped from behind a microphone, thankful to be done with a short interview that felt like an intrusion. He took 23 questions, most of them about his golf, a few others about his left leg, then walked off without looking at anyone. "That's why you guys listen," he muttered under his breath, "and I play."

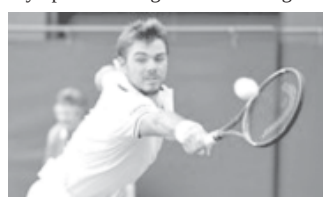
He was as dismissive as ever, another example of how much has changed in his world, and how little he realizes it. He is not the Tiger Woods he once was. Such bravado used to be accepted from Woods because he always backed it up.— Internet



Real Madrid has signed the 7-year-old soccer prodigy from Argentina who goes by the name Leo, just like Lionel Messi.—INTERNET

Wawrinka wins, offers Federer birthday wishes

MONTREAL, 9 Aug — Roger Federer turned 30 on Monday but it was fellow Swiss Stanislas Wawrinka who gave himself a present as he outclassed David Nalbandian 6-1, 6-4 to reach the second round of the ATP Montreal Masters. Wawrinka, who won the 2008 Olympic doubles gold medal alongside

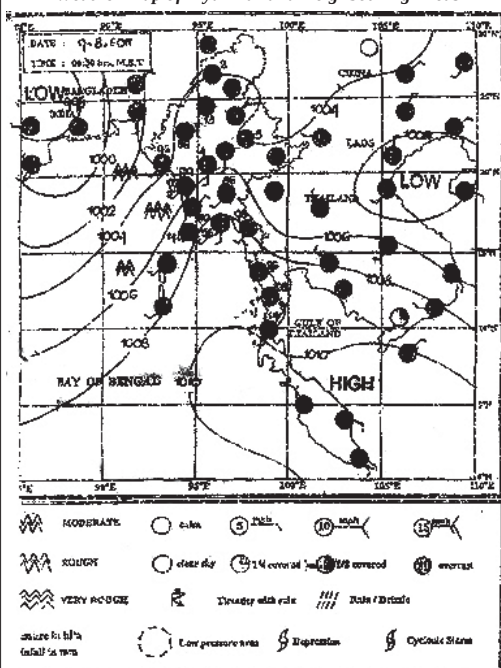


Stanislas Wawrinka

Federer, said that while he wouldn't go so far as to give him a present he has the utmost respect for his compatriot as a player and a friend.

"I've known him since I was 16. We have always practised a lot, played together, played doubles, played the Olympics, the Davis Cup," said the 26-year-old. "It's always good to know him and to play with him." Wawrinka is making yet another change of tennis surface after playing on grass at Wimbledon, switching to indoors for a Davis Cup tie and then to clay for the Gstaad ATP event last month before turning to cement for the run to the US Open which starts on 29 August.—Internet

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas

Weather forecast for 10th August, 2011

Sr. No.	Regions/States	Temperature (C/F)		For Tomorrow	
		Maximum	Minimum	Forecast	Percent
1	Kachin	31.08	24.75	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	100%
2	Kayah	29.84	21.70	Widespread rain or thundershowers (HI)	100%
3	Kayah	37.81	23.73	Widespread rain or thundershowers (HI)	100%
4	Chin	21.70	13.55	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	100%
5	Upper Sagaing	25.77	20.68	Scattered rain or thundershowers	100%
6	Lower Sagaing	35.95	27.81	Widespread rain or thundershowers	100%
7	Tanintharyi	29.84	25.77	Widespread rain or thundershowers (HI)	100%
8	Bago	24.75	21.77	Scattered rain or thundershowers	100%
9	Magway	31.88	26.79	Scattered rain or thundershowers	100%
10	Mandalay	37.99	27.81	Widespread rain or thundershowers (HI)	100%
11	Mon	29.84	25.77	Widespread rain or thundershowers (HI)	100%
12	Yangon	27.81	23.73	Widespread rain or thundershowers (HI)	100%
13	Rakhine	26.79	22.72	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	100%
14	Southern Shan	24.75	17.63	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	100%
15	Northern Shan	30.86	21.70	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	100%
16	Eastern Shan	31.88	23.73	Widespread rain or thundershowers (HI)	100%
17	Ayeyawady	29.84	25.77	One or two rain or thundershowers	100%
18	Neighbouring Nay Pyi Taw	32.90	24.75	One or two rain or thundershowers	80%
19	Neighbouring Yangon	28.82	23.73	Isolated rain or thundershowers	100%
20	Neighbouring Mandalay	37.99	27.81	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%

Summary of observations at 09:30 hr MST on today
 During the past (24) hours, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Magway Region, Kachin, scattered in Kachin and Kayah States, fairly widespread in Lower Sagaing and Mandalay Regions, Shan State and widespread in the remaining Regions and States with regionally heavy falls in Bago and Ayeyawady Regions, Rakhine and Mon States and isolated heavy falls in Upper Sagaing Region, Chin State. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Kyauksew (10.87) inches, Ye (7.29) inches, Palewe (6.77) inches, Changzon (5.47) inches, Kyauksew (5.13) inches, Madan (4.84) inches, Thundaw (4.61) inches, Tsungup and Zalon (4.49) inches each and Ngathungyong (4.33) inches.
 Monsoon is moderate to strong in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.
 Bay reference
 Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at times off and along Myanmar Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35 to 40) mph.
 State of the Sea
 Outlook for subsequent two days
 Generally Strong monsoon.

Historic 144-year-old store burnt by rioters

LONDON, 9 Aug—For more than 140 years, the House of Reeves was a landmark in Croydon, a family-run business that supplied generations of families as the area changed from a small town to a London suburb.

On Tuesday, it was a smoldering ruin, reduced to a shell in minutes by rioters who surged through the neighborhood, looting and burning.

"I'm the fifth generation to run this place," said owner Graham Reeves, looking puffy-eyed and shocked. "I have two daughters. They would have been the sixth."

Edvin Reeves first opened the store in Croydon — which was then a separate town nine miles (15 kilometers) south of London and is now one of the capital's larger suburbs — in 1867.

The business prospered, and he was able to hand the store down to his descendants, who kept it going through two World Wars and the Great Depression. The store, which employs around 15 people, is now run by Graham and his older brother Trevor.

"I'm devastated. All my life was there," Graham Reeves said. "I carried my wife across the threshold of the store 30 years ago."

The 52-year-old was bewildered by the attack on the store.—Internet



Graham Reeves, owner of the furniture store, talks to media outside his burnt store set on fire by rioters Monday night in Croydon, south London, on 9 Aug, 2011.

INTERNET

Seven dead, 22 injured in east China road accident

NANCHANG, 9 Aug—Seven people died and 22 others were injured after two passenger vehicles collided Tuesday in east Jiangxi Province, said local authorities.

The accident happened around 3:20 pm on the National Highway 105 in the township of Datangbu in Xinfeng County, said a spokesman with the county government. The injured passengers, including three suffering serious injuries and 19 others with slight injuries, have been rushed to the hospital, said the spokesman. The cause of the accident is under investigation.—MNA/Xinhua



Wednesday, 10 August View on today

7:00 am

1. Paritta By Venerable Mingun Sayadaw

7:20 am

2. FIFA U-20 WORLD CUP 2011 (Live) (KNOCK OUT)

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Musical Programme

4:20 pm

3. Songs of National Races

4:30 pm

4. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions

4:35 pm

5. Classical Songs

4:55 pm

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

5:00 pm

7. Songs for Upholding National Spirit

5:05 pm

8. Teleplay (Health)

5:20 pm

9. "ASEAN" Programmes

5:35 pm

10. Melody Tunes (Sogya Pyawshwin Tay Thansin)

6:00 pm

11. Evening News

6:15 pm

12. Weather Report

6:20 pm

13. Traditional Boxing

6:35 pm

14. Shwe Yin Chone Than

7:05 pm

15. Preview of 26th South East Asia Games

7:20 pm

16. Myanmar Cultural Dances

7:30 pm

17. Centenary of A One Soe Myint (Composer)

8:00 pm

18. News
19. International News
20. Weather Report
21. Korea NG Award
22. TV Drama Series
23. Dramatic Arts Competition (Narration of religious Series)

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (10-8-2011) (Wednesday)

Transmissions

Times

Local	-	(09:00am ~ 11:00am)MST
Overseas Transmission	-	(10-8-11 09:30 am ~ 11-8-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Thiri Zeya Buhmi Bagan Golden Palace and Museum of King Anawrahta
- * The Graduation of the Buddhist Culture Teachership Course First Batch 2011

- * News
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- * Documentary "The Long Lasting Royal Tradition"
- * News
- * "Travelogue" A Visit to the Gems Museum (Nay Pyi Taw)
- * Pupa Cosmetics Celebrities Choice & 11th Anniversary Blazon
- * News
- * Music Gallery
- * Flying Over MraukU
- * Myanmar Movies "He sows when he reaps"



- ★ 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

Buddha sacred tooth relic will be conveyed to Myanmar for fourth time for public obeisance

Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham attends coord meeting on conveyance of Buddha sacred tooth relic from China to Myanmar



Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham addresses coordination meeting on conveying Buddha sacred tooth relic from China to Myanmar for fourth time.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Aug—A coordination meeting on conveying Buddha sacred tooth relic from the People's Republic of China to the Republic of Myanmar for the Fourth time was held at the meeting hall of the

Ministry of Religious Affairs, here, this morning, with an address by Patron of the Conveying Committee for Buddha Sacred Tooth Relic Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham.

Also present at the meeting were members

of the panel of patrons Union Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen Ko Ko, Union Minister at the President Office Chairman of Nay Pyi Taw Council U Thein Nyunt, Chairman of the Leading Committee Union Minister for

Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung, Leading Committee members Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Brig-Gen Maung Maung Aye, deputy ministers, ministers of Mandalay and Yangon regions and officials of the Ministry of Religious Affairs.

Speaking on the occasion, Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham said that the President on his recent State visit to the People's Republic of China, after taking assumption of the State duties, supplicated to the venerable Sayadaws of China for conveying the Buddha sacred tooth relic to Myanmar with the aim of prevailing peace, tranquility and

prosperity of the State for public obeisance.

The Republic of the Union of Myanmar and the People's Republic of China have strengthened profound and strategic relations, and the two Buddhist countries are promoting relationships. Therefore, the Buddha sacred tooth relic will be conveyed to Myanmar for the fourth time to be able to create the opportunity for the public obeisance.

The group of patrons, leading committee, working committee and subcommittees have been formed for conveying the Buddha sacred tooth relic.

The tooth relic have

been conveyed to Myanmar three times, and the upcoming conveying will be the fourth time. Conveying the tooth relic for the first time in 1955 was kept at Maha Pasana Cave on Kaba Aye Hill in Yangon for eight months obeisance, the second time at Maha Pasana Cave on Kaba Aye Hill in Yangon in 1994 for 14-day obeisance and then the tooth relic was conveyed from Yangon to Mandalay. Along the route, the tooth relic stopped over in Nyaunglebin, Pyinmana and Meiktila one night each. After paying nine days obeisance in Mandalay, the tooth relic was reconveyed

(See page 10)