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Hluttaw representatives led by Deputy Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw view development of agriculture sector in Nay Pyi Taw Council Area

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Sept—A total of 79 Amyotha Hluttaw representatives attending the second regular session of the first Amyotha Hluttaw and speakers of region and state Hluttaws led by Deputy Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw U Mya Nyein visited the 500-acre modern mechanized farm in Nyaungbingyisu Village of Pobbathiri Township, here, today.

Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing and officials conducted them round the farms.

In his clarification, the Union Minister said that in undertaking the rural development and poverty alleviation as a national duty led by the President, the training and education played a key role in developing agriculture, mainstay of rural folks which represent 70 per cent of the whole population. In accord with the supervision and guidance of the President, the farm was a training centre not only for farmers but also for scholars, officials and researchers.

He said that the high yield paddy and sugarcane plantations were cultivated through 14 points of scientific agricultural method. Of them, sugarcane plantation could produce 60-ton sugarcane per acre. Moreover, milch cows, draught cattle, pigs, hens, ducks and earthworms are being bred on a manageable scale through integrated farm system, he added.

The Union Minister said that land preparations, construction of production roads, irrigation systems, cultivation, harvesting and post-harvest processing were undertaken at the 500 acres mechanized

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Our Three Main National Causes

* **Non-disintegration of the Union**
* **Non-disintegration of National solidarity**
* **Perpetuation of Sovereignty**

Amyotha Hluttaw Deputy Speaker U Mya Nyein together with Hluttaw representatives views ploughing of 500-acre modern mechanized farm in Nyaungbingyisu Village of Pobbathiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw.—MNA

Flood warning

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Sept—According to the 12.30 hr MST observation today, the water level of Ayeyawady River at Hinthada 1369 cm has exceeded by 27 cm (about 0.9 foot) above its danger level. It may fall below its danger level 1342 cm during the next 48 hours commencing noon today.

Similarly, the water level of Ayeyawady River at Zalun 1187 cm has exceeded by 27 cm (about 0.9 foot) above its danger level. It may fall below its danger level 1160 cm during the next 48 hours commencing noon today, and the water level of Sittoung River at Toungoo 646 cm has exceeded by 46 cm (about 1.5 feet) above its danger level. It may remain above its danger level 600 cm during the next 48 hours commencing noon today, announced Meteorology and Hydrology Department.—*MNA*

Publishing of school text books discussed

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Sept—Deputy Minister for Education U Aye Kyu met the head, teachers and students of Yankin Education College here yesterday and explained programmes for education promotion.

The deputy minister addressed the work coordination meeting on publishing of school text books at No. 1 Basic Education Department this morning and heard reports on publishing of school text books.—*MNA*

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Myanmar's bamboo, rattan wicker to penetrate foreign markets

Myanmar is a country blessed with rich forest resources. Forest products which have ready markets abroad are being exported as raw materials. Exporting fine and value-added products may lead to economic development.

The Union government encourages the rise in the nation's exports, issuing the notification eliminating export tariffs on value-added products made of wood, bamboo and rattan. The notification also suggests that the State-owned sector is excluded from the trade tax exemption.

Natural bamboo groves, of 20 kinds and 100 species, grow in every region of the country. Bamboo is used for erecting huts and houses in rural areas, for making handicrafts, and at construction sites.

Bamboo baskets, bamboo trays and bamboo sieves have been crafted and used for a long time. Exported bamboo products include chopsticks, skewer, hats, parquet, fishing rod and bamboo shoots. Charcoals of some kinds of bamboo are exported as well.

Like bamboo, rattan can be found in various places of Myanmar, especially in Ayeyawady Region, Kachin State, Rakhine State and Taninthayi Region. Some species of rattan are marketable. Rattans are exported not only as raw materials but as wickerwork or other kind of handicraft.

Therefore, efforts should be made to be able to boost production of raw materials and artistic value-added products made of bamboo and rattan with the aim of promoting the export of forest products.

Tree incident leaves two killed, four injured in Nyaungchehtauk

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Sept—A tree fell down on a hut due to heavy rain, leaving two dead and four injured in Ward-1 of Nyaungchehtauk, Bago Region around 2.30 am this morning.

The two victims, the father and daughter were killed on the spot as the tree fell down on their poorly-built house after several hours of rain and the other four, the mother and three children were sustained minor injuries. Responsible persons are giving necessary care to the four.—*MNA*

MMA to organize medical forum on 8 Sept

YANGON, 4 Sept—The general physicians of Myanmar Medical Association (central) will organize continuing professional development forum at the anditorium (B) of the association from noon to 3 pm on 8 September. The family healthcare treatment resource papers will be submitted and panel discussion on GP practice management to be discussed at the forum. Any interested doctors may attend the forum.—*MNA*

Construction staff called for immediate road repair works

Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint inspects repaving of Yangon-Pyay Road between milepost Nos. 93/4 and 93/5. **MNA**

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Sept—Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint yesterday inspected maintenance of Yangon-Pyay road implemented by Max Myanmar Co Ltd with the B.O.T system.

He viewed tarmacking and repair works between milepost Nos (102/6) and (102/7) and between milepost Nos (93/4) and (93/5).

In meeting with superintending engineer and staff at District Superintending Engineer's Office of Public Works in Thayawady, the Union minister urged them to upgrade roads and bridges in the district, to replace wooden bridges with concrete bridges, to prioritize main roads, to make sudden repair works at the bridge damaged by heavy rain, to show harmony in work, to abide by rules and regulations and to attend proficiency course. He inspected the offices and related facilities.—*MNA*

All to prepare for new banking services: Union F&R Minister

YANGON, 4 Sept—Trainees who have completed Banking Services Diploma Course No. 4 organized by Banks Supervisory Committee under the Ministry of Finance and Revenue enjoyed a graduation dinner at the building of Myanmar Banks Association here yesterday evening, attended by Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun and Yangon Region Chief Minister U Myint Swe.

The Union Minister urged the trainees and responsible personnel to equip themselves with particular capabilities for the government is preparing to launch new banking services to accelerate banking sector development.

A total of 65 trainees, 27 officials from state and private banks and 38 enthusiasts attended the one-year diploma course whose curriculum covers rules and regulations about banking and monetary affairs, economic management, and practical solutions lectured by experienced economists and bankers. *MNA*

IT DEVICES SHOWED: ***Kachin State Chief Minister U La John Ngan Hsai views information technology devices and related accessories at the hall where educative talks on IT was jointly organized by Jadeland Myanmar Group and Digicom Co., Ltd.*—MNA**

Dy Construction Minister inspects Hlinethaya-Dalla-Twantay-Kawhmu-Kungyangon-Dedaye road

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Sept—Deputy Minister for Construction U Soe Tint inspected roads and bridges on Hlinethaya-Dalla-Twantay-Kawhmu-Kungyangon-Dedaye road section yesterday. He called for systematic road repair works in monsoon using special asphalt.

He addressed prize presentation ceremony to outstanding students in the 2010-2011 matriculation examination and schools with highest pass rate at Kawhmu Township Basic Education High School and awarded five-distinction winners.

Officials presented prizes to 48 students who passed the matriculation exam with flying colours.

The deputy minister then presented prizes to three schools with highest pass rates and 1-million education fund to Township Education Officer.—*MNA*

Suspicious items found in Illinois post office

CHICAGO, 4 Sept—A worker at a post office in suburban Lyon, Illinois in center US said he saw what looked like a half- stick of dynamite, a bullet and white powder in a broken envelop under a stack of packages and other mail Saturday morning, Chicago Tribune reports.

Lyons police said the post office was evacuated as officers from the Cook County Bomb Squad responded along with local fire departments.

There were no injuries reported and the area was deemed safe after the items were seized, according to officials.

Mark Thompson who found the items about 8:10am, and a female co-worker were separated rom other employees because they had come in contact with the powder.

Thompson said he was worried because the powder leaked onto his hands.

The items were stuffed in a normal letter-sized envelope and did not have a return address, according to Thompson, but he declined to say to whom the letter was addressed.—*Internet*

Afghan police gather at the scene of an attack in Jalalabad, Afghanistan recently. Police say a district government leader in eastern Afghanistan has been killed by bomb in his car as he traveled to a meeting to discuss security matters.
INTERNET

23 drug traffickers arrested in Colombia

BEIJING, 4 Sept—Police in Colombia have presented to the media 23 alleged drug traffickers captured in a US-Colombian operation earlier this week.

Colombian and US officials on Friday said they arrested some 30 people and seized 21 airplanes in an operation against a major cocaine trafficker. They also announced a 2.7 million US dollars of reward for the notorious trafficker, Daniel "Loco" Barr-era.

Those arrested were mostly pilots and air traffic controllers and most of the planes were seized in Guatemala and Honduras.

The operation was to dismantle a drug network that was moving 10 tonnes of cocaine each month to the US through central America.—*Xinhua*

***A suicide attack car bombing in front of a police station in Iraq's main southern city of Basra recently killed five people, three of them police, officials say. A suicide attack car bombing in front of a police station in Iraq's main southern city of Basra killed five people, three of them police, officials say.—*INTERNET**

Russia tests ballistic missile

MOSCOW, 4 Sept—Russia has conducted test launches for the Topol ballistic missile with a new warhead, a media report said. The Russian Strategic Rocket Forces (RVSN) test-fired the Topol RS-12M intercontinental ballistic missile Saturday, *Xinhua* reported citing Interfax news agency.

RVSN spokesman Col. Vadim Koval said the missile, which has been in service for 23 years, was launched from the Plesetsk space centre in Arkhangelsk region. "The missile's experimental warhead hit a training target on a range in the Far Eastern Kamchatka Peninsula with high precision," he said. The service life of the Topol RS-12M has been extended to 23 years. The missile, with a range of up to 10,000 km, can carry a single nuclear warhead with a yield of 550 kilotonnes.

Xinhua

Victims from a car bombing in Kut, Iraq recently. A series of blasts ripped through more than a dozen Iraqi cities on that day.
INTERNET

In this undated photo, Afghan security personnel look at the scene of a suicide attack near a guesthouse that catered to foreigners in Kabul, Afghanistan. The suicide attack killed eight people and wounded another 40 according to interior ministry officials.
INTERNET

Senior police officer shot dead in Afghanistan's restive south

LASHKAR GAH, 4 Sept—Unknown armed men shot and killed a senior police officer in Lashkar Gah, the provincial capital of Helmand province 555 km south of capital city of Kabul, a spokesman for provincial government said on Sunday.

"The police officer named Abdul Haleem who serves as police commander of Afghan Local Police Force (ALP) in Helmand's Marjah district, was attacked by two suspected militants at around 05:00 pm local time on Saturday in Kariz area of provincial capital Lashkar Gah," Daud Ahmadi told *Xinhua*. The attackers fled by their motorbike, he said, adding an investigation was initiated by police in to the case.

No group has claimed responsibility for the incident so far, however, Taleban insurgents have in the past been blamed for attacking government security forces and tribal elders. Taleban insurgents, whose regime was toppled in a US-led incursion in late 2001, have intensified activities since the militant group announced to launch spring offensive against Afghan security forces and NATO-led troops stationed in Afghanistan on 1 May.

Afghan security forces took full control of Lashkar Gah from NATO-led forces on July this year. At least four people have been assassinated in Helmand province over the past one month.

In separate incident, unknown armed men shot and killed Hazrat Mir police chief of anti-terrorism department of Darqad district of northern Takhar province on the same day Saturday.—*Xinhua*

Chateau Lafite grabs record price at Hong Kong sale

Business

A Christie's member of staff bids on behalf of a client for the Chateau Lafite Rothschild lot during Christie's Autumn wine acution in Hong Kong on 3 Sept, 2011.—INTERNET

HONG KONG, 4 Sept—A 300-bottle collection of Chateau Lafite Rothschild has sold for almost $540,000 in Hong Kong, setting a world record price for a single wine lot auctioned this year, organisers said.

The collection spanning 1981 to 2005 was knocked down for HK$4.2 million ($539,-250) at Christie's two-day Autumn wine sale, which is expected to rake in over $5 million in sales, the auction giant said late Saturday.

The record price, below a HK$4.5 million pre-sale estimate, was "the highest value lot achieved at any wine auction worldwide this year," Christie's said.

Prices for Chateau Lafite Rothschild have reportedly soared as much as twelve-fold over the past decade as the prestigious brand — and other labels from Bordeaux — lure in wealthy Chinese buyers.

The sale, which wraps up Sunday, comes after auctioneer Acker Merrall & Condit said its May sale grabbed multiple world records, including a price of almost $107,000 each for two cases of 1988 DRC Romanee-Conti.

Hong Kong has emerged as the world's third-largest auction hub after New York and London, thanks in large part to China's rapidly growing number of millionaires.

Mainland Chinese are regular buyers of the top lots at sales of art, jewellery and wine, and Hong Kong has positioned itself as a wine hub for Asia as well as the gateway to China's vast market.—*Internet*

Mental illness strikes half of US adults

Health

ATLANTA, 4 Sept—About half of US adults will develop a mental illness during their lifetime, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta says.

Ileana Arias, principle deputy director of CDC, says a 2009 survey conducted by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration indicates that 11 million adults in the United States, 4.8 percent, suffered a diagnosable mental disorder that substantially interfered with, or limited one or more major life activities in the past year.

"We know that mental illness is an important public health problem in itself and is also associated with chronic medical diseases such as cardiovascular disease, diabetes, obesity and cancer," Arias says in a statement.

"The report's findings indicate that we need to expand surveillance activities that monitor levels of mental illness in the United States in order to strengthen our prevention efforts."

Approximately 8.4 million US adults had serious thoughts of suicide in the past year, 2.2 million made suicide plans and 1 million attempted suicide, the survey finds.

"This new CDC study combined with SAMHSA's latest surveillance data provides a powerful picture of the impact of mental illness on public health," Pamela S. Hyde, SAMHSA administrator says.

"People with mental disorders should seek help with the same urgency as any other health condition. Treatment and support services are effective and people do recover."

Internet

Ford aims for more vehicle market segments in China

Business

BEIJING, 4 Sept—Ford Motor plans to more than double its offers across vehicle segments in China, the world's top market, as it speeds up the launch of new models, a senior executive said on Saturday.

"If you think of the market as small cars, medium cars, large cars, SUVs, performance vehicles, all of those different pieces, we compete in about 22 percent of that market today," Will Periam, strategy director for Ford's Asia Pacific and Africa operations, told Reuters on the sidelines of an industry forum in Tianjin.

"In the future, we expect to compete in about 50 percent of that market.

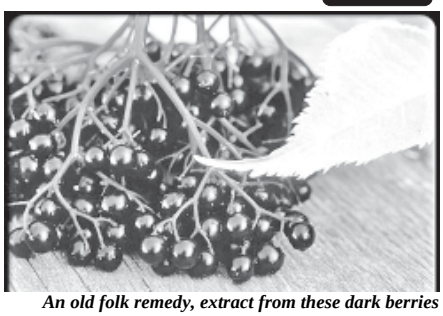
And that will be by new versions of the products we have and all-new products which aren't here today."—*Reuters*

An employee walks past new cars at the parking lot of Changan Ford Mazda Automobile Co Ltd, Ford Motor's joint venture in China, in Chongqing Municipality, 12 Oct, 2010.—INTERNET

Health

Schizophrenia, also sometimes called split personality disorder, is a chronic, severe and debilitating mental illness. It is considered one of the psychotic mental disorders and is characterized by symptoms of thought, behavior, and social problems. The thought problems associated with schizophrenia are described as psychosis, in that the person's thinking is completely out of touch with reality at times.—INTERNET

Health



An old folk remedy, extract from these dark berries appears to block flu viruses in test tube studies. But scientists caution that further study is needed. The fruit itself is rich in antioxidants and may also have the ability to fight inflammation.—INTERNET

Flu diagnostic kit approved

Health

WASHINGTON, 4 Sept—A kit to diagnose seasonal influenza, bird flu and other forms of flu that affect people has been approved by the US Food and Drug Administration.

The CDC Human Influenza Virus Real-Time RT-PCR Diagnostic Panel was developed by the US Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, which issued a news release announcing the approval. The kit utilizes specimens taken from the upper or lower respiratory tracts. "The CDC test kit will be given at no cost to qualified international public health laboratories to improve global laboratory capacity for detecting influenza virus infections in human respiratory tract specimens," the release said.

"In helping public health officials quickly identify seasonal flu as well as the flu viruses that could become pandemic, this kit can make a real difference in protecting health and saving lives in the United States and around the world," the statement added.—*Internet*

A digital dumping ground lies inside most computers, a wasteland where old, rarely used and unneeded files pile up. Such data can deplete precious storage space, bog down the system's efficiency and sap its energy. Conventional rubbish trucks can't clear this invisible byte blight. But two researchers say real-world trash management tactics point the way to a new era of computer cleansing. **INTERNET**

Marine species seen to 'tag-team' urchins

Science

VITERBO, 4 Sept— Two marine species that dine on sea urchins but struggle to catch them sometimes seem to work together to tackle their common prey, an Italian researcher says.

A fish called the ornate wrasse likes to eat the tube feet of sea urchins but finds that difficult as the urchins routinely keep their feet anchored in the sea bed.

A starfish known as Marthasterias glacialis also likes urchins but is often too slow to catch them.

Nicola Galasso of Tuscia University in Viterbo, Italy, says the two species have been observed helping each other out, NewScientist.com reported.

When a starfish attacks a sea urchin, the urchin uproots itself to escape, which exposes its tube foot to the wrasse, which dashed in to make a meal of the foot. Without a foot the urchin is disabled and becomes immobile, allowing the starfish to capture it for a meal of its own.

While the two predators don't seem to be truly cooperating as neither makes a sacrifice for the other, Galasso said, their actions nevertheless benefit each other.

Internet

Human slingshot promotes clothes

Tech

NEW YORK, 4 Sept— An amazing video created for clothing company Vooray featuring a human slingshot, an enormous water slide and a lake has gone viral on YouTube with over 300,000 views in 24 hours.

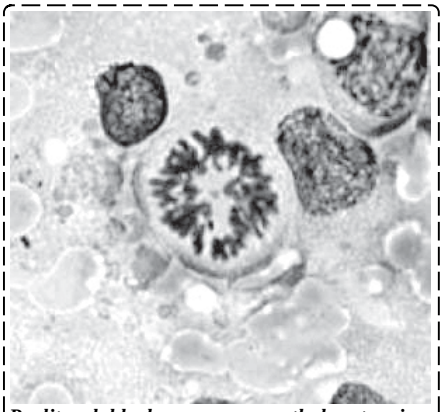
Human Slingshot Slip and Slide - Vooray features a group a young adults taking it in turns to hurl themselves from the top of a water slide into a lake — by means of an inflatable slingshot towed behind a quad bike.

Screenshot of the viral video "Human Slingshot Slip and Slide" created by Vooray.— **INTERNET**

The video was created by surf clothing company Vooray and uploaded to YouTube on 30 August. It promptly went viral, attracting over 300,000 views in 24 hours and featuring on YouTube's Trends blog.

Extreme sports videos are frequently promoted on YouTube by clothing brands looking to reach their target audience; one of the most famous is Danny MacAskill - Way Back Home, which since being created by energy drinks brand Red Bull and uploaded to YouTube in November 2010 has accumulated over 13 million views.

Internet



Paclitaxel blocks cancer growth by stopping cells separating into two new cells.— **INTERNET**

First lizard genome fully sequenced

Science

CAMBRIDGE, 4 Sept— US researchers say they've completed sequencing the first lizard genome, shedding light on aspects of vertebrate evolution.

Scientists at the Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard say the full sequencing of the genome of the green anole lizard may offer insights into how the genomes of humans, mammals, and their reptilian counterparts have evolved since mammals and reptiles parted ways 320 million years ago.

Researchers have assembled and analyzed more than 20 mammalian genomes but the genetic landscape of reptiles remains relatively unexplored, a Broad release said Friday.

"Sometimes you need to be at a certain distance in order to learn about how the human genome evolved," Jessica Alfoldi, a research scientist in the vertebrate genome biology group at institute, said. "You have to look out further than you were looking previously."

Lizards are more closely related to birds — which are also reptiles — than to any of the other organisms whose genomes have been sequenced in full, the researchers said.

"People have been sequencing animals from different parts of the vertebrate tree, but lizards had not been previously sampled," Kerstin Lindblad-Toh, scientific director of vertebrate genome biology at the institute, said. "This was an important branch to look at."

Internet

TomTom unveils iPad navigation app

Tech

BERLIN, 4 Sept— TomTom will expand its offerings to include a satnav application for Apple's iPad, hoping to balance the fast shrinking of its key personal navigation device (PND) market.

TomTom's Thursday launch, at the IFA consumer electronics fair in Berlin, follows smaller rival Navigon, bought by Garmin last month, which already sells a navigation service for iPad.

The iPad, which was launched early last year, still has the tablet-computer market almost to itself. Apple has sold close to 30 million iPads, whose prices start at about $500.

TomTom has forecast that the global PND market will contract nearly 20 percent this year as economic worries hurt demand and consumers turn to free or cheap navigation on cellphones.

To offset the slump in PND sales and reduce its reliance on a single product, TomTom has increased its offerings to include an Apple iPhone app, and it is also due to launch an application for Google's Android platform.

Internet

A dedicated iPad station is seen in front of an iPhone at the Apple store in New York on 23 May, 2011. **INTERNET**

Rescue aircraft aborts over technical problems

SANTIAGO, 4 Sept—A Chilean aircraft on salvage operation following a plane crash in Juan Fernandez Islands had to return to the capital on Saturday due to technical problems.

"During the flight, the pilot found that a deficiency in the hydraulic system made it impossible to land on the runway as short as that of John Fernandez Islands," said General Maximiliano Larraechea, general secretary of the Chilean Navy. "We're going to redistribute cargo and passengers in the next flights which have been scheduled, adding up to the planes sent by the army from its base in Rancagua," Larraechea added.

*Military personnel move the body of the four victims in an air accident near Juan Hernandez Islands in Santiago, capital of Chile, on 3 Sept, 2011.—*XINHUA

A Spanish CASA aircraft was reportedly missing at about 17:48 local time on Friday while trying to land on the island, about 670 km west off the Chilean coast.

Chilean Air Force confirmed on Saturday that four bodies floating in the waters near the Juan Fernandez Islands have been recovered by search staff following the crash of a plane with 21 passengers.

The Chilean authorities have launch-ed search operations by air and sea around the crash area. Meanwhile, the Chilean Navy has deployed eight divers and a submersible capsule in an operation to glean bodies in deep underwater salvage.

Xinhua

Former IMF chief Dominique Strauss-Kahn carries his luggage to a van from his New York residence as he heads to JFK Airport in New York on 3 September, 2011. He and his wife Anne Sinclair are headed back to France.
XINHUA

One dead, five injured after building fire in east China

NANCHANG, 4 Sept—One person died and five others were injured after a fire engulfed a building Sunday morning in east China's Jiangxi Province, said local fire control authorities.

The fire broke out around 5 am at an eight-storey building in the downtown area in the provincial capital City of Nanchang, said a spokesman with the city's fire control contingent.

Fire fighters have extinguished the blaze and rescued 11 people trapped by the fire. Six of them were found injured and rushed to two hospitals, said the spokesman.

One of the injured died later after failing to respond to emergency treatments, he said.

A cinema and dozens of shops that sell lighting facilities are located in the building's ground and second floor respectively. The other six floors are occupied by residents.

A *Xinhua* reporter at the scene said some shops were severely damaged in the fire and smoke was still rising from the first five floors of the building as of 10 am.

The cause of the accident is under investigation.

Xinhua

***Photo taken on 2 Sept, 2011 shows a view inside the Comstock landing ship in Hong Kong, south China. The Comstock, an amphibian dock landing ship, started its visit to Hong Kong on 31 Aug and will leave on 4 Sept for its home port in San Diego, the United States. Enlisted in 1990 with a capacity of around 600 soldiers, Comstock's primary mission is to launch and support assault landing crafts and vehicles during amphibious operations, and to provide landing craft maintenance service.—*XINHUA**

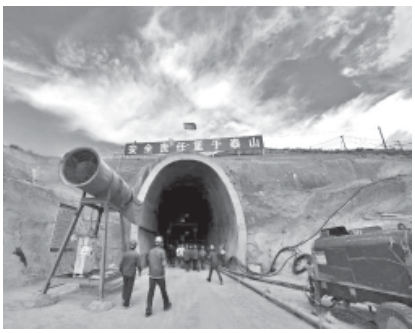


Photo taken on 1 Sept, 2011 shows a construction site of the Lhasa-Xigaze Railway in southwest China's Tibet Autonomous Region. The 253-kilometer Lhasa-Xigaze Railway, to come on line in 2014, is expected to improve transportation situation for the southwestern part of Tibet.
XINHUA

China seizes 13 mln illegal publications in crackdown

BEIJING, 4 Sept—Publication authorities across China seized more than 13 million illegal audio and video products and print publications in a high-profile campaign to protect intellectual property rights (IPR).

From October 2010 to June, law enforcement personnel also cleaned up 663 workshops, where pirated music and film disks, softwares, books and other print products were manufactured, according to the General Administration of Press and Publication (GAPP).

"Our campaign focused on print and copy businesses, online copyright infringement and piracy, supervision on the publication market and investigations into major cases," said Yu Cike, a senior official with the GAPP.

According to GAPP, 18 major video websites, including youku.com and video.sina.com.cn, have been ordered to report the IPR authorization status for all the films and TV series posted on their sites to supervision departments on a quarterly basis.—*Xinhua*

Lab explosion kills one, injures another

MENLO PARK, 4 Sept—A scientist was killed and another injured in a lab explosion at a technology company in Menlo Park, Calif., authorities say.

The explosion happened Friday afternoon at Membrane Technology Inc. when a male scientist was pouring a mixture of several gases from one cylinder to another, *the Los Angeles Times* reported.

The explosion killed the male scientist and caused a female scientist to be blown out of the laboratory.

Firefighters and paramedics unsuccessfully performed CPR on the male scientist after other lab workers carried him out of the building, Menlo Park Fire Chief Harold Schapelhouman said.

The injured woman suffered eardrum damage and was taken to a hospital, Schapelhouman said.

Twenty-three other lab workers were evacuated from the building. Fire inspectors are investigating the cause of the explosion at the lab, which passed fire inspection in March.

Internet

Now, get a 'real-time' view of the solar system sitting in front of your PC

WASHINGTON, 4 Sept—NASA is giving the public a new interactive web-based tool to explore the solar system like never before.

The "Eyes on the Solar System" interface combines video game technology and NASA data to create an environment for users to ride along with agency spacecraft and explore the cosmos. Users may experience missions in real-time, and even travel through time.

"This is the first time the public has been able to see the entire solar system and our missions moving together in real-time," said Jim Green, director of NASA's Planetary Science Division at the agency's Headquarters in Washington.

"It demonstrates NASA's continued commitment to share our science with everyone," he added.

The virtual environment http://solarsystem.nasa.gov/eyes uses the Unity game engine to display models of planets, moons, asteroids, comets and spacecraft as they move through our solar system.

With keyboard and mouse controls, users cruise through space to explore anything that catches their interest."You are now free to move about the solar system," said Blaine Baggett, executive manager in the Office of Communication and Education at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) in Pasadena, Calif. "See what NASA's spacecraft see — and where they are right now — all without leaving your computer."

The playback rate can be sped up or slowed down. Point of view can be switched from faraway to close-up to right "on board" spacecraft. Location, motion and appearance are based on predicted and reconstructed mission data.

Dozens of controls on a series of pop-up menus allow users to fully customize what they see, and video and audio tutorials explain how to use the tool's many options. Users may choose from 2-D or 3-D modes, with the latter simply requiring a pair of red-cyan glasses to see.—*Internet*

A staff member sprays water to maintain the humidity of an ancient horse and chariot pit unearthed in Luoyang City, central China's Henan Province, on 1 Sept, 2011. A team of archaeologists Thursday completed the excavation of four horse and chariot pits of the Eastern Zhou Dynasty (770 BC-256 BC) in Luoyang.—XINHUA

7.1-magnitude quake hits Vanuatu

BEIJING, 4 Sept—An earthquake measuring 7.1 on the Richter scale hit Vanuatu Islands at 6:55 am Beijing Time Sunday, according to the China Earthquake Networks Center.

The epicenter, with a depth of 140 km, was initially determined to be at 20.6 degrees south latitude and 169.7 degrees east longitude.—*Xinhua*

Princess Laurentien (1st L) of the Netherlands give autograph to Chinese readers at the 18th Beijing International Book Fair in Beijing, capital of China, on 2 Sept, 2011. The five-day book fair, with exhibition area of 53,600 square meters, attracted more than 2,000 publishing organizations from 60 countriesand regions.—XINHUA

Eleven died, 45 missing as powerful typhoon lands in Shikoku Island in W Japan

OSAKA, 4 Sept—Eleven two people were killed and 45 missing while over 40 were injured as a powerful typhoon made a landfall in Shikoku Island in western Japan on Saturday, according to local Press reports.

A women appearing to be in her 30s was found dead in a river in Matsuyama, Ehime Prefecture Saturday morning. In the village of Totsukawa, Nara Prefecture, a 73-year-old man was found dead after his house was carried away by a landslide. Meanwhile, five people went missing in Tokushima, Hiroshima, Wakayama and Kagoshima prefectures.

Talas, the season's 12th typhoon, also disrupted air traffic centering on western Japan, with at least 375 domestic and 17 international flights canceled in the morning, and caused blackouts in about 76,300 households in the Kinki region and Shimane Prefecture, the reports quoted airlines and power utilities as reporting.— *Xinhua*

China to regulate students' test books market

BEIJING, 4 Sept—China's Ministry of Education has vowed to regulate test books market for primary and middle school students through strict supervision on publication and distribution channels.

The ministry has said it was working with the General Administration of Press and Publication (GAPP) to revise government regulations on the management of test and reference books for primary and middle schools, issued in 2001.

The revision would "further regulate the editing, printing, and distribution work" of these books, the ministry said in a statement on its website, but giving no further details.

It is common for Chinese students in lower grades to do a large amount of after-class exercises and tests, often in line with the instruction of the school, in order to get better score in exams. This has led to a booming market of test books.

Many schools have been under fire for forcing students and their parents to buy extra test books. In some cases, publishing houses, book dealers and schools are blamed for seeking illegal kickbacks through forced deals.

According to the 2001 regulations, education departments at all levels are not allowed to force schools to purchase any kind of test books, and schools should not organize students to buy these books.—*Xinhua*

A 100-meter-long Chinese dragon is displayed at the port of Rotterdam on 1 Sept, 2011. The Chinese dragon displayed here is especially designed for the International Harbor Festival of Rotterdam, which is one of the biggest festivals in Rotterdam. This year's festival opened on 2 Sept.
XINHUA

Hluttaw representatives led…

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farm during the five-month period from 30 March on which the new government was formed to date to be sample for agricultural development task across the nation.

With a view to ensuring sustainable agriculture development, it is necessary to carry out land development and irrigation system for effective utilization of land resources and irrigation facilities, mechanization for systematic transform from manual farming into mechanized farming, undertaking of hybridization for distribution of high yield quality strains of crops, and encouragement to private sector with investment of government and private entrepreneurs and participation of farmers for development of agriculture sector across the nation.

Later, he invited questions and suggestions from Hluttaw representatives. Deputy Minister U Khin Zaw explained land preparations, production roads, drainage systems, land development and irrigation facilities.

Managing Director U Kyaw Win of Myanma Agriculture Service also explained matters related to 14-point good agriculture service, and must, do's and don'ts for farmers to boost per-acre yield, characters of ripening paddy fields and facts about producing over 150 baskets of paddy per acre, successful paddy seeds and number of paddy plants per acre. The excursion group raised questions and then viewed harvesting of paddy with the use of combined harvesters.

They also viewed paddy transplantor, power-tiller and paddy plantations that can produce 150-200 baskets per acre and research farm of glutinous rice plantations.

At the 10-acre sugarcane plantation that can produce above 50-ton of sugarcane per acre, Managing Director U Thein Swe of Myanma Industrial Crops Development Enterprise and Deputy Managing Director U Zaw Tun Myint of Sugarcane Enterprise explained characters of sugarcane strains and good agriculture methods.

Amyotha Hluttaw Deputy Speaker U Mya Nyein and Hluttaw representatives view reclamation of 50-acre modern farmlands of 20-hectare farm in Dekkhinathiri Township.

MNA

The excursion group arrived at 50-acre modern farmlands of 20-hectare farm near Aungthukha Village of Dekkhinathiri Township where Director-General U Kyaw Myint Hlaing of Irrigation Department explained land preparations and irrigation facilities. Director-General U Soe Hlaing of Agriculture Mechanization Department also explained preparation for cultivation of paddy with the use of modern machinery and agriculturalist U Kyi Sein benefits of good agriculture service.

In his speech, the Union Minister said that as land preparation with the use of machinery can actually develop the agriculture sector of the State with momentum, the Hluttaw representations are to organize the private entrepreneurs to participate in the agricultural task in their respective region. The ministry is ready to provide necessary technology. The excursion group members viewed preparation for transplanting paddy saplings with the use of modern machinery and ploughing of farmlands with the use of heavy machinery.

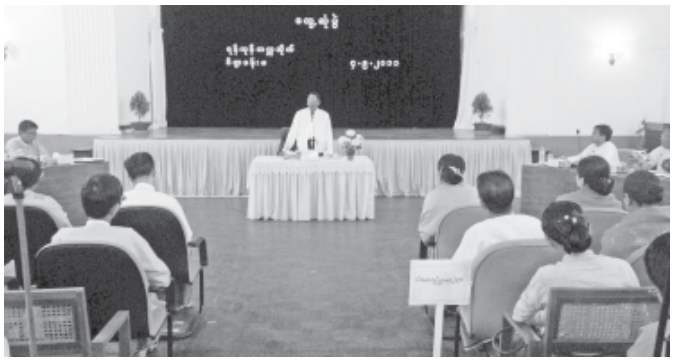
They visited a sugarcane plantation that can produce above 60-ton sugarcane per acre in Thabyebin Village of Zeyathiri Township. Next, they visited the 20-acre and 10-acre high yield paddy farm of farmer U Kyaw Kyaw and farmer Thayay Sithu U Soe Maung near Thittatkon Village.

At the 100-acre research paddy farm for production of hybrid paddy seeds of Yezin University of Agriculture, Rector Dr Tin Htut explained that development of paddy hybridization must be carried out for development of paddy sector and for enabling Myanmar rice to be able to compete in the foreign market. Therefore, he said that it is necessary to encourage the farmers to produce quality paddy strains themselves.

The Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation said that production of paddy hybridization is undertaking the research and development task to improve modern paddy technology. At present, agriculturalists can produce hybrid seeds for sunflower, sugarcane, beans and pulses and maize for the State, he said. Paddy hybridization for production of quality paddy seeds is being carried at 100-acre farm of Yezin University of Agriculture, 130-acre Shwetaung farm in Wundwin Township, totalling 230. The ministry is ready to provide necessary technology to the farmers at fair prices. He explained that time has come to strive for development of paddy hybridization technology to be able to seek paddy market and earn foreign exchange in exporting surplus paddy similar to that of Vietnam and Thailand. The excursion group members viewed round nurturing lines of paddy.

After that, they visited Agricultural Research Department where Director-General U Khin Soe conducted them round booths of various crops, seeds booth of paddy species and seed bank.—*MNA*

Union Education Minister visits universities



***Union Minister for Education Dr Mya Aye gives speech in meeting with officials concerned at Yangon University.*—MNA**

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Sept — Union Minister for Education Dr. Mya Aye called on faculty members of Yangon University and Yangon East University to make efforts for improvement of standard of the universities.

During his visits to the universities this morning, he met with the director-general of the Higher Education Department (Lower Myanmar), rectors, professors and faculty members and urged them to do their tasks dutifully while the government is working to form the good governance and clean government.

The Union Minister inspected the Physic Department, Chemistry Department and Maths Department of Yangon University and called for doing more research work.

Afterwards, he went to the Yangon East University and gave instructions to the rector and officials concerned on teaching and management affairs of the university.

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Chief Minister on inspection tour of Kayin State

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Sept—Chief Minister of Kayin State U Zaw Min viewed natural fertilizer broadcasting, paddy and tapioca growing in Hlinebwe Township, Kayin State on 29 August.

The Chief Minister attended opening of advanced tailoring course No. 1/2011 and basic vocational course No. 2/2011 at Myainggyingu women vocational training school, and provided assistance for the school.

He encouraged needy children pursuing education from both side of Thanlwin River in Myainggyingu region.

The Chief Minister presented clothes to the aged from Myainggyingu region and viewed healthcare treatment for local people by the specialists of Kayin State People's Hospital.

Later, he attended the ceremony to hand over citizenship scrutiny card at Myainggyingu basic education high school, and opening of basic vocational course No. 27 and advanced tailoring course No. 24 at women vocational training school in Hpa-an. He also attended the work coordination meeting on rural development and poverty alleviation of Kayin State at the state government office.

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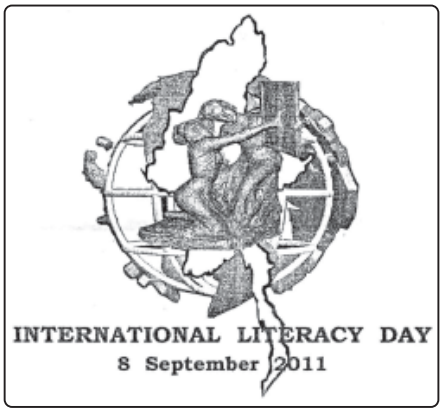
Focus on one village one product to boost quality: Union Cooperatives Minister

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Sept— Union Minister for Cooperatives U Ohn Myint met staff of Kachin State and township Cooperatives Departments in Kachin State Cooperatives Department this morning and stressed the need for lean, effective organizational structure and corruption-free procedures.

He then visited Weaving Training School, Manaw Ayeya Weaving Industries Cooperative and weaving workshops of Daw Bok Jar in Myitkyina. He then went to Mandalay and met board of directors and members of Seinpan Industries Cooperative in Mandalay Industrial Zone No.2.

In meeting with weaving workshop owners and instructors at Amarapura Saungda Weaving Training School, he called for kaizen highlighting the concept—one village, one product. He then visited Yadanapura Myanmar Handicraft and Arts Beikman of Mandalay Region Cooperative Syndicate. *MNA*



Ayeyawady Region Chief Minister presents relief aids to flood victims

Chief Minister U Thein Aung of Ayeyawady Region presents aids to 339 households from 11 flooded village-tracts in Ngathaing-gyoung Sub-Township.
MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Sept— Chief Minister for Ayeyawady Region U Thein Aung presented relief aids to flood victims in Kyaunggon Township and Ngathaingchaung Sub-township yesterday.

At a ceremony to present relief aids to flood victims, at a relief camp in Ward-1, Kyaunggon, the Union minister hand over relief aids and K 1 million from the Relief and Resettlement Department, Myanmar Red Cross Society and NGOs for the flood victims from 139 households sheltering at the relief camp to the Kyaunggon Township Administrator.

Afterwards, the Union minister took a boat trip along the Dhaka River to assess the flood situation.

The Union Minister presented relief aids to flood victims from 339 households at the Basic Education High School (Branch) at Tatseik Village, Thaunggyi Village-tract, in Ngathaingchaung Sub-township.

He also contributed cash to the school to renovate the school and presented cash assistance to teachers.—*MNA*

Three civilians killed in insurgents attack in Mongyawng, Shan State (East)

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Sept—Three civilians were killed in separate attacks as insurgents opened fire on Wamtung Village at 8 pm and Wamtwang Village at 8.30 pm in Mongyawng in Shan State (East) yesterday.—*MNA*

Ma Mya Creek Bridge...

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we can safely pass the bridge at any time and any weather. So, I attended the opening ceremony of the bridge on that day when it was raining."

It was true. Original Ma Mya Creek Bridge, 150 feet long (40 feet long wooden section, 40 feet long bailey section and 70 feet long wooden section) and 12 feet wide, was located on Hinthada-Hsonkon-Myanaung Road in Ingapu Township, Hinthada District, Ayeyawady Region.

The new facility, opened on 28 April 2011, was of reinforced concrete type. The bridge is 190 feet long and 30 feet wide. Its water clearance is 58 feet wide and three feet high. The facility can withstand 60-ton loads.

With the aim of enabling the increased number of vehicles to pass the bridge in a short time safely, Ma Mya Creek Bridge was for the first time inaugurated as above-180 feet long facility in the time of the government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

Therefore, the local people valued it. All the travelers were pleased for construction of the bridge.

Headmaster U Hla Win from Hteinthatgyi Village of Myanaung Township, headmaster of Nyaungchet Village Basic Education Primary School, said, "Larger vehicles could not be convenient in passing the old bridge. Motorcycles and bicycles faced difficulties on the bridge. In past 7-8 years ago, there was an accident that the bridge broke up, so workers transported commodities from one bank to another. Thanks to the new bridge, all the local people are convenient in their transport sector. They have easy access to Myanaung and Htugyi in a short while. The local people are delighted that many companies are working betterment for the Hinthada-Hsonkon-Myanaung Road."

"Vehicles can pass through Ma Mya Creek Bridge."

Heavy machineries engaging in roadwork of Hinthada-Hsongon-Myanaung road section.

U Ngwe Soe of Htugyi Village said, "We were inconvenient on the old and swing bridge due to high rate current of Ma Mya Creek. Although maintenance was carried out, the old bridge could not be longer in good condition. So, I was pleased with started construction of the bridge. Now, dream of us has come true."

Teacher Daw Yin Htay of BEMS (Branch) in Phayangokto Village recounted her experience, "Whenever I went to school, I passed the old bridge. On the bridge, all the riders went down from the bicycles and motorcycles and pushed them along with us. Thanks to opening the bridge, I am so happy. Upon completion of the road section, the region is expected to have greater development."

Ko Po Cho of Phayangokto Village expressed his opinion, "Now, I am going to Htugyi for transporting hens to the poultry brokerage. Due to completion of the new bridge, I can travel to Htugyi by bicycle in a few minutes."

Thanks to development facilities in all regions, the glittering destiny is not far from us.

Translation: TTA

"I'm very pleased to see the bridge open and region will develop more after the construction of road section finishes."

Halawa, trademark of Pathein

Myanmar has various kinds of traditional snacks with every place in it having own special product, Mandalay is famous for Htonemoke, Dawei for Monekaleme and Pathein Halawa.

Halawa production is a blend of mechanized and manual process, a small domestic business, and also the trademark snack of Pathein in addition to its decorated Pathein umbrella, both of which are often received as gifts from those who come back from Pathein.

There are about 10 Halawa shops in urban Pathein, whose production process often arouse curiosity of tourists making their mouths water. Halawa is made of seven materials—glutinous rice, Pawhsan rice, sugar, coconut, Shan sesame, purified groundnut oil and butter oil. There are two kinds of Halawa, gluey and dried; the expiration of the former is one week period and the latter three weeks with larger market share. In an interview, U Kyaw Aye, Shwemyinpyan Halawa producer, said that he inherited Shwemyinpyan in 1970 which became a leading brand in 1990s; that the business is closely connected with tourism activities, being a kind of souvenir; that the business usually does a brisk trade in open season in which Pathein receives more visitors.

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Translation: TKK

***Gandamar Wholesale Centre at the corner of Gandamar Street and Waizayanda Street in Mayangon Township, Yangon Region , which will be commissioned into service on 4 October, will be one-stop service for consumers providing all ranges of consumer goods.*—MNA**

Gandamar Wholesale in operation soon

Gandamar Wholesale constructed by the Union of Myanmar Economic Holdings Limited at the junction of Gandamar Road and Waizayanda Road in Mayangon Township, Yangon materialized. The wholesale market is three-storey building which is 318 feet in length, 159 feet in width and 42 feet in height. It was constructed at the cost of more than K 6000 million. Soft opening ceremony took place on 4 October and plan has been drawn for grand opening ceremony with a bang.

Local and foreign products to be on sale at Gandamar Wholesale will be personal products, electric products, foodstuffs, kitchen wares, cosmetic products, handicrafts, sports gears, fruits, clothes and toys at wholesale and also retail prices. It is learnt that the wholesale market will give priority to domestic products and not allow volume and soiled goods like medicines and cement.

Also, restaurants will be constituted in the wholesale market. To ensure easy transportation for shoppers, each car will park at Nyaungbinle Market, Myaynigon Dagon Centre, Ruby Mart on Pansodan Street, Yuzana Plaza and Thamaing Junction to ferry them to and from the wholesale market for free. But, nobody is allowed to get off from the ferry en route.

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Translation:ZZS

Kyemon (4.9.2011)

2,000-year-old Mayan palace discovered in Mexico

WASHINGTON, 4 Sept—Archaeologists have discovered the remains of a 2,000-year-old Mayan palace in the south-eastern state of Chiapas, which they say represents the first evidence of occupation in that area between 50 BC and 50 AD.

"The discovery constitutes the first architectural evidence of such an early occupation of the ancient Mayan cities of the Upper Usumacinta basin" in the Lacandona Jungle, the National Institute of Anthropology and History said in a statement.

The project's director, Luis Alberto Martos, said this new discovery was made in a sunken courtyard located in the northern part of the Plan de Ayutla archaeological site, reports *BioScholar News.*

He said that the palace consists of "rooms with walls almost one metre wide, whose corners are rounded, an early characteristic of Mayan architecture".

The archaeologist added that Mayans of a later era dismantled the palace and filled in the courtyard to raise the level of the other buildings, and that is why "the remains of the early palace remained below and were preserved".

Internet

***People wait to visit the cabin of a helicopter during Zagreb Air Show at Lucko Airport near Zagreb, Croatia, on 3 Sept, 2011. More than 2,000 visitors gathered here on Saturday to see 50 different aircrafts at the 11th Zagreb Air Show.*—XINHUA**

A visitor experiences a personal 3D viewer in Sony show room at the IFA consumer electronics fair held in Messe Berlin, Germany, on 3 Sep, 2011. The six-day IFA consumer electronics fair opened on 2 Sept.

XINHUA

Russia holds military festival

BEIJING, 4 Sept—The annual military bands festival "The Spasskaya Bashnya", or The Savior's Tower, has kicked off in the Red Square in Moscow. The event has drawn 1,500 participants from 14 countries.

Orchestras performed classical, military, folk and national music accompanied by dances, displays of arms and folklore performances. Friday's event also featured fireworks and laser shows.

The Spasskaya Bashnya military bands festival, which is named after the main Kremlin tower, has become a popular event in Moscow. The tradition of organizing military bands festivals dates back to the post-war years.

Currently, many European countries, such as France, Belgium, Austria, and the Netherlands, hold such festivals regularly.—*Xinhua*

Carina Lau admits marriage problems

Hong Kong actor Tony Leung and his actress wife Carina Lau arrive for the Asian Film Awards in Hong Kong on 21 March, 2011.

HONG KONG, 4 Sept—Hong Kong actress Carina Lau admitted that her marriage with Tony Leung Chiu-Wai has problems and they have given up on plans for artificial insemination, Taipei media reported.

Carina Lau and Tony Leung have shared a relationship of more than 20 years and finally tied the knot 3 years ago in Bhutan. Lau said she has marriage problems just like everyone else and how to working it out is the most important thing.

"God has given me a lot, and I am grateful for the challenges. I have communicated with Tony that when it comes to the baby thing, we would leave it to fate," she said.—*Internet*

Dolly Parton content with being a country girl

Country singer Dolly Parton.

LONDON, 4 Sept—Country singer Dolly Parton has revealed during the launch of her new album 'Better Day' on QVC that she loves the way she is.

"You can take the girl out of the country but not the country out of the girl," *the Daily Star* quoted her as saying.

"I can drink champagne or chocolate milk, I can fly first class or be in the back. "I'm quite content with who I am and if you ain't well you can kiss my ham," she added.—*Internet*

Pixie Lott 'overwhelmed' to record with Stevie Wonder

LONDON, 4 Sept—Singer Pixie Lott says she was "overwhelmed" about getting a chance to record with Stevie Wonder and John Legend for her new album.

The British singer is quite a fan of Wonder and Legend's music, reports femalefirst.co.uk.

"It's crazy how it happened. It wasn't forced - we have mutual friends and the sessions just got set up. I was overwhelmed because Stevie is one of my favourite artists of all time. I've listened to him from as early as I can remember," said Lott.—*Internet*

Kate Moss planning to build personal ballet studio for her daughter

LONDON, 4 Sept—Supermodel Kate Moss is reportedly planning to build a personal ballet studio for her dance-obsessed daughter Lila Grace. Moss wants to provide Grace, 8, who recently passed her first ballet exam, all the facilities in their 7 million pounds mansion in Highgate, north London, so that she can pursue her dream of becoming a dancer. "Lila is besotted with ballet since passing her first exam and is now adamant she wants to become a dancer," *the Daily Star* quoted one of the supermodel's pals as saying.

"Kate is really behind Lila's ambition. She thinks she's a really great dancer and needs all the support she can get, so that's what's she going to give her. "She's planning a special room with strip wooden floors, bars round the walls, huge gold-edged mirrored walls, and a grand piano. It will be the full works," the source added.

Internet

Briefs

Snoop Dogg teams up with Lagerfeld for new video

LONDON, 4 Sept—Rapper Snoop Dogg has joined hands with renowned fashion designer Karl Lagerfeld for his new video.

They were seen shooting the new video together in a luxury resort in St Tropez. There have been rumours of a collabouration since Lagerfeld attended Snoop's West Coast party in Paris this summer, according to mtv.com.

Lagerfeld is hoping to bring a touch of catwalk fashion to the 39-year-old rapper's gangsta lyrics in Dogg's new album, reports contactmusic.com.

Internet

Singer-entrepreneur Hwang Hye-yeong.

Singer-entrepreneur Hwang to wed politician

SEOUL, 4 Sept—Hwang Hye-yeong, the singer who rose to fame in the mid-1990s as part of the K-pop group Two Two, will tie the knot on Oct. 23 with a politician from the main opposition party.

Hwang, who has reinvented herself as the CEO of a successful Internet-based business since leaving the band and trying her hand at acting, said she was drawn to Kim Kyung-rok, deputy spokesman for the Democratic Party, by his values and moral fiber.

"We have dated for about a year since October of last year and he is a really upright and honest man", Hwang said. "He is also very considerate of others". Hwang said they have not made concrete preparations for the wedding yet, such as who will officiate at the ceremony or sing the congratulatory song. "I hope everyone will give us their blessings", she said.

Hwang launched her Internet shopping mall four years ago and has since gained a reputation as a successful businesswoman.—*Internet*

Robert Downey Jr, a would-be father

BEIJING, 4 Sept—Hollywood movie star Robert Downey Jr. and his wife Susan are expecting their first child together, according to media reports Thursday.

Downey Jr, 47 years old, may not be the most ideal candidate for fatherhood, but it seems that the handsome A-list actor will be better prepared this time around.

From stardom to rehab to one of the biggest actors in Hollywood, Downey Jr has transformed his public image a slew of times in the past.

A spokesman for the couple said the couple are overjoyed and cannot wait to welcome the new member into the family. Downey Jr made his screen debut in 1970 at the age of five, and has worked consistently in film and television ever since.

His works include "Less Than Zero" (1987), "Air America" (1990), "Soapdish" (1991), "Chaplin" (1992), "Natural Born Killers" (1994), "The Singing Detective" (2003), "Kiss Kiss Bang Bang" (2005), and "A Scanner Darkly" (2006), "Iron Man" series and "Sherlock Holmes" (2009).

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Downey Jr and his wife Susan

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China's railways carry 1.27 bln passengers in first eight months

BEIJING, 4 Sept— China's railway system has transported some 1.27 billion passengers during the first eight months of this year, up 11.8 percent from a year earlier, the Ministry of Railways said on Sunday.

The figure has accounted for 67.4 percent of the ministry's full-year target, said the ministry in a statement on its website. The Ministry of Railways has planned to send 1.9 billion passengers in 2011, up 13.1 percent year-on-year.

The country's high-speed trains had been operating with improved order and efficiency, said the ministry, which has been required to run high-speed trains at slower speeds, as well as to reorganize bullet train schedules nationwide, for safety reasons.

MNA/Xinhua

Missing girl whose disappearance gripped Argentina found dead

BUENOS AIRES, 4 Sept —The body of a girl whose disappearance triggered a public outcry in Argentina was found naked inside a garbage bag in Buenos Aires on Wednesday afternoon, authorities said.It was a tragic ending to the story of Candela Rodriguez, 11, who became an icon and symbol for the more than 200 missing children in the country.

"My God, they killed my daughter!" Candela's mother, Carola Labrador, shouted at the scene after identifying the body, the state-run *Telam* news agency reported. Candela's family went to the media immediately after she went missing on 22 August. —*Internet*

***A boy found the foot and leg bone near a marina in an inlet called False Creek, which is pictured here, Vancouver Police said.*— INTERNET**

Another foot found in Canadian waters

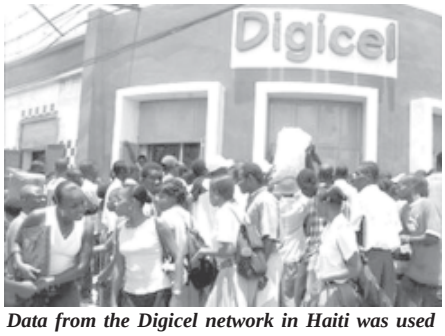
VANCOUVER, 4 Sept — Authorities have found what appears to be a severed human foot this week, the 11th found in waterways in British Columbia in the past four years. The discovery of another foot, this one still stuck in a running shoe, adds to the mystery that has confounded Canadians for years.

A boy found the foot and leg bone Tuesday near a marina in an inlet called False Creek, Vancouver Police said. Foul play is not suspected, authorities told Canadian Broadcasting Corp. Authorities believe that because the remains did not have any evidence of trauma, the CBC reported.

The British Columbia Coroners Service has in the past said it was conducting DNA profile tests to determine the identities of the remains.Some of the feet have been identified through DNA, but the reason they turn up where they do is still unknown in most cases, the CBC said. — *Internet*

Study says mobile phones help to target disaster aid

NEW YORK, 4 Sept — Mobile phones of people fleeing natural disasters can be used to target emergency aid according to a new study. The report reveals how scientists mapped population movements following the Haiti earthquake based on location data from two million handsets. That information allowed aid organizations to channel relief supplies to those areas most in need. Researchers are now setting up a non-profit organization to provide location analysis for future disasters.



Data from the Digicel network in Haiti was used to estimate population movement . — INTERNET

In immediate aftermath of the 2010 Haitian earthquake, many people fled the capital, Port au Prince. Researchers from Sweden's Karolinska Institute and Columbia University in the US asked the country's biggest cellular network, Digicel, to provide anonymised information about the phone towers that people were using.

From that data they estimated that 600,000 Haitians had left the capital in the first 19 days, and were able to locate concentrations of displaced people on a map.Scientists forwarded this analysis to aid coordinators working in the field, so that numbers of evacuees could be verified and supplies targeted to specific locations. Then a cholera outbreak struck Haiti later that year, the researchers were quick to respond.—*Internet*

Minn father abandons son, leaves note

CAMBRIA, 4 Sept — A Minnesota father who left his 11-year-old son a note more than a month ago saying he was abandoning him has been arrested in California, authorities said Teven Cross, 60, who has had sole custody of his son since the boy was 1, said in his note he was about to lose the Lakeville, Minn, house where they lived to foreclosure and that the boy's mother was still alive, not dead, as the son long believed, ABC reported.

''If this paper is wet, it's because I'm crying so bad,'' the architect's note said. You know your dad loves you more than anything.

There are no jobs for architects so I have to go because the sheriff will take the house July 27th.

Internet

World's hottest chilli hits shelves

LONDON , 4 Sept —A product said to be the world's hottest chilli extract has gone on sale at a London department store. Heartburn measures a whopping 13 million units on the Scoville scale, on which jalapeno peppers rate 3,500 to 8,000 units. Selfridges said it believed the six bottles on its shelves were the last available to buy anywhere in the world.—*Internet*

Man foils burglars from seat of plane

ARKANSAS, 4 Sept — A man taking his first plane ride spotted two men burgling his home. Steven Lynn was flying over his home in Arkansas when he spotted the men taking items from his house and loading them on to a truck. He was able to direct police to the men, who were arrested as they fled with the contents of Mr Lynn's home.— *Internet*

Canadian glacial river runs dry

ATLIN, 4 Sept—A glacial river feeding a large Canadian lake has gone dry, leaving a muddy riverbed strewn with icebergs and dropping the lake's level 50 feet, hikers say. "We were able to walk right into the river bed and stand among the 60-foot icebergs that are grounded now," hiker Diana Thayer of Atlin, British Columbia told the Canadian Broadcasting Corp of the scene she and her companions found near the Llewellyn Glacier along the Sloko Inlet trail in late August. —*Internet*

Police in Britain and the US have made a number of arrests of suspected "hacktivists" in recent months. — INTERNET

UK police arrest two in hacking probe

LONDON, 4 Sept — Police in London said Thursday they have arrested two men as part of an international investigation into computer hacking groups Anonymous and LulzSec. The men, ages 24 and 20, were arrested in South Yorkshire and Wiltshire, police said.

They are suspected of conspiring to commit offenses under the Computer Misuse Act of 1990.

"The arrests relate to our enquiries into a series of serious computer intrusions and online denial-of-service attacks recently suffered by a number of multinational companies, public institutions and government and law enforcement agencies in Great Britain and the United States," said Det. Mark Raymond of the Metropolitan Police Service's Central e-Crime Unit. The name "Kayla" was used in the suspected intrusions, police said in a statement. "Denial of service" attacks overload website servers.

Hacking groups such as Anonymous and LulzSec have claimed a number of high-profile attacks in recent months, stealing information from the US Senate and Arizona state police websites, as well as data from major corporations like Sony, Bank of America and Nintendo.—*Internet*

Man arrested after calling 911 on escorts

Police in Kansas said a man was arrested on a charge of patronizing a prostitute after he called police to complain about an escort service.

Wichita police said they responded to a call from a hotel room shortly before 5:30 am Wednesday. A 26-year-old man, whose name was not released, told them he placed an order with an online escort service and neither of the two women who showed up to his room were the woman he requested, The *Wichita Eagle* reported Friday.

The man said he paid the women $160 but soon changed his mind and asked for his money back. He called police when the women told him they don't give refunds and left the hotel. Police said they arrested the man after he explained the situation.

Toy poodle helps save teen in house fire

A toy poodle has been credited with helping rescue a 19-year-old man from a house fire in West Jordan, Utah, police say. West Jordan Fire Battalion Chief Reed Sharman said a passer-by saw flames inside the West Jordan home early Friday morning, The Salt Lake Tribune reported.

When firefighters arrived, a mother and two children were already out of the house, but the 19-year-old and the dog were still inside. Sharman said the family's toy poodle, Ted, led emergency responders to the sleeping teenager. "Two of our paramedics, Don Chase and Erik Andersen, had gone inside to search the structure, and when they opened the door, there was the dog. When they went to grab the dog, though, he ran downstairs," Sharman said.

A pet dog gets through an obstacle during the third pet dog carnival held in the Chaoyang Park of Beijing, capital of China, on 3 Sept, 2011. Nearly 1,000 pet dogs of some 20 breeds took part in the carnival on Saturday.

Mariachis and dancers participate in a presentation to try to set a new Guinness Record, as the folk dance with the largest number of people participating simultaneously for 10 minutes, at Liberation Square, in Guadalajara, Mexico, on 3 Sept, 2011. During the presentation, 272 couples danced.

Man, 61, joins college football team

A 61-year-old college junior in Alabama said he will become the oldest man to play football with a National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics team.

Alan Moore, who will turn 62 in February, said he left school in 1968 to fight in Vietnam and he decided to return to college and try out for football after he recently watched his old team, Jones Community College in Mississippi, play, *The Birmingham (Ala.) News* reported Friday.

Moore said he found a new school, and a football team, at Holmes Community College, also in Mississippi, and he learned after his sophomore year that he was eligible to play in the NAIA.

Moore transferred to Faulker University in Montgomery, Ala, and he will take to the field as a place kicker for the team when the season starts 10 Sept.

"Faulkner has been — I can't even explain it — they've embraced the whole thing," Moore said. "You look at it, it's like, from what I'm told, I'm the oldest person to play. To bring that to Faulkner, doesn't take just me. It takes coaches (and) the institution."

News Album

Visitors shop among sale stalls during the annual "Braderie de Lille", Europe's biggest flea market, in northern French city of Lille, on 3 Sept, 2011. **XINHUA**

Now, a tool to predict survival after heart transplant

WASHINGTON, 4 Sept— Heart transplant patients at great risk of death in the year following their surgeries, could be forewarned and saved with the help of a formula, US scientists say.

"Donor hearts are a limited resource," says John V Conte, MD, a professor of surgery at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and the senior author of the study.

"Now, we have a simple-to-use tool that is highly predictive of survival after a heart transplant, and can help guide organ allocation decisions."

Conte and his colleagues pulled together a series of risk factors already associated with poor outcomes, such as age, race, gender, the cause of a patient's heart failure and whether he or she was on dialysis, and then assigned a number of points to each factor.

The sum of those points created a score. The higher the score, the higher was the risk of death one year after transplant.

Some factors were weighted more heavily than others, such as female gender (three points); African-American race (three points), and the need for dialysis in the time between being put on the transplant waiting list and getting a transplant (five points).

Patients with the lowest scores — between zero and two — had a 92.5 percent chance of being alive 12 months after surgery.

Patients with so-called IMPACT scores — the acronym the researchers came up with for the Index for Mortality Prediction After Cardiac Transplantation — above 20 points had a less than 50 percent chance of survival one year after surgery. Every point on the scale increased the chance of death within one year by 14 percent.

Internet

Police arrest 16th person in hacking case

LONDON, 4 Sept—Police in London have detained a man believed to be a former News of the World employee, bringing the number of arrests in the hacking scandal to 16.

The man surrendered Friday at a police station in North London, *the London Evening Standard* reported. He was being questioned about the scandal and could be charged with intercepting messages and perverting the course of justice.

A former News of the World reporter and a private detective have already done time for intercepting voicemails on cellphones used by members of the royal family. The scandal exploded in July when *The Guardian* reported the paper's staffers had hacked into a cellphone used by Milly Dowler, a schoolgirl who disappeared in 2002, and deleted some of her messages, activity that led her parents to believe she was still alive.

Rupert Murdoch closed the News of the World this summer.

Two former executives are scheduled to testify before a parliamentary committee Tuesday, *the Financial Times* said. They are expected to contradict testimony given by James Murdoch, Rupert's son.—*Internet*

Visitors appreciate paintings during an art works exhibition titled "One World One Home" in Urumqi, northwest China's Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, on 3 Sept, 2011. **XINHUA**

Notre Dame Stadium was evacuated because of sever weather at half time of an NCAA college football game between the Notre Dame and the South Florida in South Bend, Ind, on Saturday.—INTERNET

Storm forces evacuation of Notre Dame Stadium

SOUTH BEND, 4 Sept—Fans were asked to evacuate Notre Dame Stadium at halftime of Saturday's game against South Florida as lightning flashed near the facility. One storm passed over the area but then another one arrived, delaying the start of the second half for more than an hour. South Florida held a 16-0 lead over No. 16 Notre Dame after the second quarter.

Fans were told they could go to buildings near the stadium to seek refuge. Some of them initially remained in their seats before they were chased out minutes later by a hard rain. The half ended at 5:12 pm EDT and an official said the teams would remain in their locker rooms until it was determined that it was safe for play to continue.

After the first squall passed, some student managers at Notre Dame went to the bench area to collect and cart off some gear. Shortly thereafter, officials announced that a second storm with high winds was approaching and it would take at least another half an hour to determine if play could continue.

Internet

SPORTS

Westwood and McIlroy blocking Donaldson's path to victory

Donaldson of Wales hits an approach shot onto the 17th green during the third day of the European Masters golf in Crans-Montana. INTERNET

CRANS-MONTANA, 4 Sept—Jamie Donaldson will take a slender one-shot lead into Sunday's European Masters final round knowing he has to beat two of the world's best to clinch his maiden title. A third round six-under 65 on Saturday hauled the 35-year-old Briton to 14-under-par 199, a stroke better than Lee Westwood and two shots better than Rory McIlroy.

Donaldson will play alongside world number two Westwood and US Open champion McIlroy, ranked six, as he bids to claim a victory after numerous chances since joining the tour 10 years ago. "I'm going to be the underdog," Donaldson admitted to reporters after four birdies in the last six holes edged him to the summit in the Alps.

"I'm playing with two of the greatest players in the world at the moment. It's awesome but I know them both well so I won't let that pressurize me."

Internet

Novak Djokovic of Serbia

Gerrard eyes return

LONDON, 4 Sept — Steven Gerrard is eyeing Liverpool's match with Tottenham Hotspur in a fortnight's time as a possible comeback date. The Liverpool skipper is edgeing closer to a return after more than five months on the sidelines following groin surgery, and is hopeful of a return in time for the Barclays Premier League fixture at White Hart Lane on18th September.

Gerrard, who has been absent since mid-March, admits he is desperate to get back on the pitch and has full confidence that the troublesome groin is now completely fixed and "as strong as ever". The 31-year-old, who has only played six matches for the Reds since Kenny Dalglish returned as manager, is now looking to see how things go as he takes part in full training and during a practice match that is being scheduled, but he hopes to be back in first-team action in the near future.

Internet

Steven Gerrard hopes to return from injury by 18th September. INTERNET

Redknapp delighted to keep Modric

LONDON, 4 Sept — Tottenham Hotspur manager Harry Redknapp hopes midfielder Luka Modric will soon be back to his best. Redknapp is delighted the club have managed to hold on to the Croatian playmaker despite strong interest from Chelsea this summer. Spurs fans breathed a huge sigh of relief on Wednesday night as the transfer deadline passed without Modric moving across the capital to the Blues.

Not even a reported £40m offer from Roman Abramovich could prevent Spurs chairman Daniel Levy from altering the tough 'not for sale' stance he has held all summer over Modric. The 25-year-old was arguably Spurs' best player last season but Chelsea's interest has taken its toll on him psychologically and he has only played once for the club so far this term.

Internet

Harry Redknapp is delighted he has managed to hold onto the midfielder.—INTERNET

Japan beats South Korea 2-1 at Olympic women's soccer qualifier

JINAN, 4 Sept—Japan beat South Korea 2-1 here on Saturday night at the women's soccer Asian qualification for the 2012 Olympic Games in London. Midfielder Sakaguchi Mizuho lifted Janpan to the 1-0 lead by a header.South Korean Ji So Yun equalized the score 20 minutes later. Japan took the lead again with Ohno Shinobu's long shot just before the halftime whistler. Neither side managed to score in the second half, though both had plenty of chances.

South Korea's Ji So Yun (top) heads for the ball during the match between Japan and South Korea at the Asian women's football qualifier for the 2012 London Olympics in Jinan, east China's Shandong Province, on 3 Sept, 2011.—XINHUA

"Our team were too nervous at the beggining so that we lost one goal very early," said South Korea coach Choi In Cheul. "Players ajusted their attitude after that and soon we equalized the score. We lost the game because of the problem in physical fitness." Having won the first two games, Japan coach Sasaki Norio said, "Next game against Australia will be difficult, and we should do our best for three points."—*Xinhua*

Djokovic, Federer, Williams move on as retirement hits US Open

NEW YORK, 4 Sept—Novak Djokovic improved to 60-2 in 2011 by beating 39th-ranked Nikolay Davydenko 6-4, 6-4, 6-2 on Saturday night to reach the fourth round of the US Open.

The top-seeded Serb is trying to win his third Grand Slam championship of the year and fourth of his career.

He's seeking his first title at Flushing Meadows, where he was the runner-up to Roger Federer in 2007 and to Rafael Nadal last year.

Also advanced into last 16 were Roger Federer and Serena Willams.

Federer met little trouble in moving forward, eliminating Marin Cilic of Croatia 6-3, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2. "It was a tough match," Federer, the five-time champion, said after the two hour, 40-minute contest. "Coming in I knew it was going to be tricky and I'm happy that I was able to counter his pace and his good play."

Serena Williams, a three-time winner, demonstrated a powerful comeback in dispatching the first real test from fourth-seeded Victoria Azarenka 6-1, 7-6 (5).

Xinhua

Caroline Wozniacki of Denmark

Top seed Wozniacki breezes into US Open fourth round

NEW YORK, 4 Spet—Top-seeded Caroline Wozniacki of Denmark dismantled struggling Vania King of the United States, 6-2, 6-4, to reach the fourth round of the US Open on Saturday. World No. 1 Wozniacki, the 2009 runner-up, waltzed past 103rd-ranked California native Vania King in 1 hour, 36 minutes. The 21-year-old Wozniacki, still seeking her first-ever major championship, leads the WTA with six titles already this year, including a fourth straight New Haven championship last week.

"I won. I think that's the most positive," Wozniacki said. "It's great to be through. You know, I was fighting a lot out there, getting quite a lot of balls back."

Xinhua

Kenya's Kirui retains world title in men's marathon

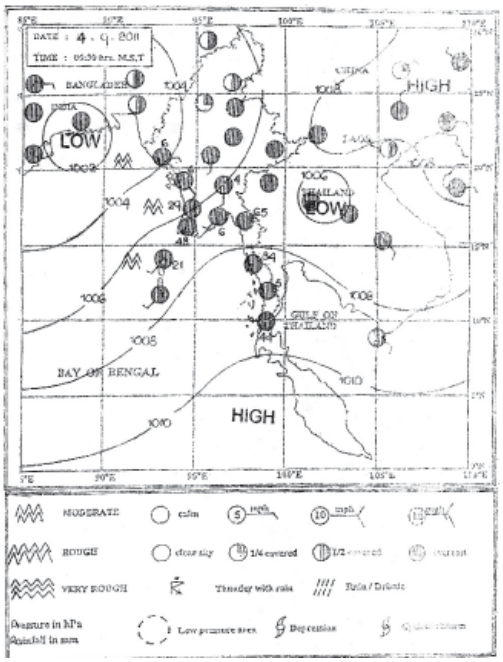
DAEGU, 4 Sept—Kenyan runner Abel Kirui retained his world title in the men's marathon here on Sunday after finishing the 42.195-kilometre race in two hours, seven minutes and 38 seconds.

The 29-year-olds now owned the two fastest time in the Worlds history as he set a championships record of 2:06:54 in his debut in Berlin two years ago.

His fellow Kenyan Vincent Kipruto, a newcomer to the world championships, crossed the line second 2:28 minutes behind, which is the biggest margin in the Worlds history.

Xinhua

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



Weather forecast for 5th September, 2011

Sr. No.	Regions/States	Temperature (°C/F) Maximum	Minimum	For Tomorrow Forecast	Percent
1	Kachin	36/97	27/81	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
2	Kayah	29/84	21/70	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
3	Kayin	30/86	23/73	Widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
4	Chin	20/68	14/57	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
5	Upper Sagaing	36/97	23/73	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
6	Lower Sagaing	35/95	27/81	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
7	Tanintharyi	28/82	23/73	Widespread rain or thundershowers (IH)	80%
8	Bago	30/86	21/70	Widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
9	Magway	33/91	26/79	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
10	Mandalay	34/93	26/79	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
11	Mon	30/86	24/75	Widespread rain or thundershowers (IH)	80%
12	Yangon	32/90	24/75	Widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
13	Rakhine	30/86	23/73	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers (IH)	80%
14	Southern Shan	24/75	18/64	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
15	Northern Shan	33/91	22/72	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
16	Eastern Shan	33/91	22/72	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
17	Ayeyawady	31/88	24/75	Widespread rain or thundershowers (IH)	80%
18	Neighbouring Nay Pyi Taw	33/91	24/75	Isolated rain or thundershowers	100%
19	Neighbouring Yangon	32/90	24/75	One or two rain or thundershowers	100%
20	Neighbouring Mandalay	34/93	26/79	Isolated rain or thundershowers	100%

Summary of observations at 09:30 hr MST on today	During the past (24) hours, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Sagaing, and Mandalay Regions, Scattered in Magway Region, Shan and Chin States, fairly widespread in Bago Region and Kachin State and widespread in the remaining Regions and States with regionally heavy falls in Mon State. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Mudon (5.12) inches, Kyaikmaraw (4.13) inches, Kyaikkhami (3.54) inches, Chaungzone (2.76) inches and Mawlamyine (2.60) inches.
Bay Inference	Monsoon is generally strong in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.
State of the Sea	Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at times off and along Myanmar Coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35) mph.
Outlook for subsequent two days	General strong monsoon.

30 Kurdish Militants Killed in Iranian Operations

TEHERAN, 4 Sept—Thirty Kurdish militants have been killed or injured by Iranian troops in northwestern Iran over the past two days, the local satellite Press TV reported Sunday.

The Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC) launched a series of operations against the Party of Free Life of Kurdistan (PJAK), dubbed as a "terrorist" group by Tehran, Friday afternoon, said IRGC Colonel Hamid Ahmadi was quoted as saying Saturday.

"The operations to clear the country's northwestern area of the members of PJAK terrorist group will continue with strength," said Ahmadi.

The IRGC announced Saturday that it had begun fresh operations against the PJAK in northwestern Iran. Iran has recently deployed 5,000 military personnel in the northwest of the country along its border with the Iraqi Kurdistan region. Recent clashes between the IRGC and PJAK militants have led to the death of dozens from both sides.—*MNA/Xinhua*

At least 15 people died as bus falls into river in north India

MUMBAI, 4 Sept—At least 15 people were killed Sunday as a bus fell into a river in Uttarakhand state of north India.

Another eight people are still missing and 12 injured have been hospitalized in nearby places, said local media report.

The bus has not been located and efforts are under way to find the missing people, said local magistrate Dehra Dun Sachin Kurve. The bus was on its way to Dehradun from Katiyal when it fell into in river around a sharp turn. *MNA/Xinhua*

Myanmar TV

Monday, 5 September View on today

7:00 am
1. Paritta By Venerable Mingun Sayadaw

7:25 am
2. To be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am
3. Morning News

7:40 am
4. Dhamma Puja Song

7:50 am
5. Documentary

8:05 am
6. Nice & Sweet Song

8:10 am
7. Health Programme

8:25 am
8. Selected Songs for 18th Myanmar Traditional Performing Arts Competitions (2011) (Maha Gita Classical) (Basic Education) (Level Women)

8:35 am
9. International News

8:40 am
10. Islands of Dhamma

8:50 am
11. The Nine Precepts

4:00 pm
1. Martial Song

4:10 pm
2. Dance Variety

4:20 pm
3. Musical Programme

4:30 pm
4. Dhamma Sekka Thutta Reciting Competition (3rd Prize Winner) (Hlaing Thayar) (B.E.H.S(2))

4:50 pm
5. University of Destance Educatin (TV Lectures) -Second Year (Geography)

5:10 pm
6. Songs for Upholding National Spirit

5:15 pm
7. Musical Programme (The Radio Myanmar Modern Music Troupe)

5:25 pm
6. Selected Songs for 18th Myanmar Traditional Performing Arts Competitions (2011) (Oldies & Mono Classical) (Basic Education) (Level Women)

5:35 pm
9. Myanmar Idol

6:00 pm
10. Evening News

6:15 pm
11. Weather Report

6:20 pm
12. Sing & Enjoy

7:00 pm
13. TV Drama Series

8:00 pm
14. News
15. International News
16. Weather Report
17. World's Series
18. TV Drama Series
19. Metta Bhavana By Mingun Sayadaw

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Programme Schedule
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Transmissions		Times
Local	-	(09:00am ~ 11:00am)MST
Overseas Transmission	-	(5-9-11 09:30 am ~ 6-9-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission
* Opening
* News
* Today's Nay Pyi Taw (The Capital City of Myanmar)
* News
* Yangon Expo 2011
* News
* Today's Efficient Youth (Global Warming)
* News
* Music Gallery
* Myanmar Chess federation President Cup (Myanmar Traditional Chess)

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* News
* Products of Myanmar "Craft of Blacksmithing"
* News
* Myanmar Movies Impact "Home Sweet Home"

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Khanti ca; patience; this is the way to auspiciousness

Mobile stations take shape along Yangon-Nay Pyi Taw-Mandalay Expressway

***Union Minister U Thein Tun inspects solar panel for mobile divices in GSM radio station (2) between milepost Nos. 235 and 256 on Yangon-Nay Pyi Taw-Mandalay Expressway.*—MNA**

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Sept — Myanma Posts and Telecommunications of the Ministry of Communications, Posts and Telegraphs is building GSM mobile stations along the Yangon-Nay Pyi Taw-Mandalay Expressway.

Union Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs U Thein Tun assisted in the construction work during his tour of inspection of the project today.

The Ministry of Communications, Posts and Telegraphs has implemented the project to improve the communication along the road which is used by round 2000 vehicles and about 40000 passengers on a daily basis.

Next, Union Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs U Thein Tun attended to the needs for communication at the toll gate of on the Yangon-Nay Pyi Taw Expressway and gave a green light to build one mobile station near the toll gate.

He visited the work site of construction of mobile stations at the milepost No. 210/6 and milepost No. 220/3 and left necessary instructions. During the visit to the mobile stations at the milepost No. 235 and 256, Union Minister U Thein Tun and party viewed the effevtive application of solar power to run machinery.

During his inspection tour, Union Minister U Thein Tun also provided necessary assistance in installation of machinery at other mobile stations. *MNA*

Ma Mya Creek Bridge creates golden way for people towards glittering destiny

Article: *Maung Maung Htwe (MNA);*
Photos: *Tha Nyan (MNA)*

Water was copiously flowing under Ma Mya Creek Bridge. In the rainy season, current rate in the creek was high. Nwe Yin Win, Khin Mar Aye and Cho Mar went to Htugyi Village by bicycle for going shopping. They live in Inthanokgon Village of Ingapu Township, Ayeyawady Region.

On arrival at newly-built Ma Mya Creek Bridge, they gazed at old wooden bridge. The old bridge was in a ramshackle condition near the new one. Gazing at the old bridge, Cho Mar and Khin Mar Aye remembered something. They said, "Do you remember that an oil browser plunged into the creek?"

Talkative Nwe Yin Win immediately replied, "Oh, you knew that incident I retold. At that time, we all were difficult in passing the creek by raft due to blocking the bridge."

Gazing at the new reinforced concrete bridge, they had big smile at their faces simultaneously.

Nwe Yin Win said, "Now, we all do not need to wait for the drive of any vehicle from the opposite lane on the bridge. I am so pleased that

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"Ma Mya Creek Bridge is priceless for local residents."

Noteworthy amounts of rainfall
(4-9-2011)

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Chaungzon	**(2.76) inches**
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Bolt helps Jamaica win men's 4x100 relay at worlds

DAEGU, 4 Sept— Usain Bolt powered home to help Jamaica set a world record of 37.04 seconds in men's 4x100-metre relay Sunday at the world championships.

Nesta Carter led off the relay and handed to Michael Frater. Yohan Blake, the 100 world champion following the disqualification of Bolt in the final, ran the third leg and handed to Bolt.

France finished second in 38.20 and Saint Kitts and Nevis took bronze in 38.49.

The United States did not finish.—*Internet*