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Union FM leaves for 18th session of UNHR Council

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—U Wunna Maung Lwin, Union Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, left here by air this afternoon to attend the 18th session of the United Nations Human Rights Council to be held at the United Nations Office in Geneva, Switzerland and the 66th session of the United Nations General Assembly to be held at the UN Headquarters in New York, the United States of America.

Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin was accompanied by U Hou Do Suan, Director-General of the Political Affairs Department and U Kyaw Zay Yar Linn from Minister's Office of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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Our Three Main National Causes

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

Myanmar achieves success in process of anti-money laundering and counter financing of terrorism

Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun delivers an address at AML/CFT Awareness Enhancing Workshop.

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NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept— The Republic of the Union of Myanmar is carrying out the tasks of anti-money laundering and counter financing of terrorism by promulgating the Control of Money Laundering Law in 2002.

The international community recognized the achievements that the central control committee is undertaking anti-money laundering and counter financing of terrorism in conformity with undertakings of legal section, action taking sector and rules and regulations for monetary sector.

The AML/CFT Awareness Enhancing Workshop took place at the Ministry of Finance and Revenue, here, this morning with an address by Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun.

In his address, the Union Minister said that as the process of anti-money laundering and counter financing of terrorism declined in the global countries from 2007 to 2009 when they faced world financial crisis, it is necessary to speed up the AML/CFT Global Action. The workshop was aimed at enabling the State-owned and private-owned banks to abide by directives and instructions on anti-money laundering and counter financing of terrorism including gathering information.

Legal Adviser at the President Office U Sit Aye explained the history of the process for anti-money laundering and counter financing of terrorism and Director Daw Khin Saw Oo of Central Bank of Myanmar, directives and instructions issued by CBM on anti-money laundering and counter financing of terrorism.

Officials concerned explained new information form on suspected events.

Also present at the workshop were Deputy Minister U Win Than, Governor of CBM U Than Nyein, Chief of Myanmar Police Force Kyaw Kyaw Tun, managing directors and directors-general of enterprises and departments, chairmen of State-owned and private-owned banks and officials.

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Noteworthy amounts of rainfall (10-9-2011)

Nay Pyi Taw (Airpot)	2.68 inches
Nay Pyi Taw (Tatkon)	1.02 inches
Myeik	5.40 inches
Cocogyun	5.35 inches
Launglon	5.00 inches
Maungtaw	4.76 inches
Dawei	3.07 inches
Mingin	2.91 inches

PERSPECTIVES

Sunday, 11 September, 2011

Lead a happy life with healthy habits

Health is a great blessing. Only with good health, anyone may live long and may be able to work hard. Healthy life is also a happy one.

Healthy habits may lead to longevity and may help to get rid of any ailments. Clean environment, clean family, clean food and clean water are everyone's concerns.

The reverse may bring the bout of illness and even death. Lack of sanitation causes diarrhea and respiratory diseases. Contagious diseases are outspreaded in public by the lack of personal hygiene and cleanliness in the aforementioned four areas.

Daily routines such as washing face, brushing teeth, combing hair and washing hands are common but critical to health. Hand is the most important part of human body.

Hand is to touch things, living or non-living, in our reach everyday. These things may be attached by viruses. Foods should be touched after washing hands cleanly. Food-borne diseases invade our bodies through dirty hands.

Starting from personal hygiene, the family and environment should be kept clean. This practice may lead to a happy family life, accompanied by physical and mental strengths.

Myanmar Medical Association (central) at public healthcare service

YANGON, 10 Sept—Myanmar Medical Association (central) in making a go at public healthcare services has been conducting medical conferences, educative talks, paper-reading sessions and courses on a regular basis.

It was leant that fresher doctors are enthusiastically taking courses and talks conducted by 29 subject-wise societies, 12 work committees and 79 township associations (branch) under the central MMA.

"I would like you fresh docs to do courses and talks being opened by Myanmar Medical Association (central) and supporting medical teams. Only then will you be able to be highly qualified for public healthcare services", said a responsible person of MMA (central).

Fresher doctors have been engaged as assistant doctor or as the same-rank positions at departments under the Ministry of Health. Out of 5581positions for permitted assistant doctors in Health Department, as fresher doctors have been employed in 3646 positions, there remains 1935 vacancies. Of 922 positions for tutors in Medical Science Department, as they have been assigned duties in 654 positions, there are 628 positions left. There is a plan to employ more fresh doctors as there remains 2203 vacancies in the two departments, it was learnt.—*Ko Chit*

Corrigendum

Please read "Mrs Kristalina Georgieva" instead of "Mr Kristalina Georgieva" in the news item with headline "Myanmar, EU cooperation focused in meeting with EU Commissioner" on page 6 of this daily, issued on 10 September 2011. Error is regretted.—*MNA*

Union Labour & SWRR Minister receives EU Commissioner for Int'l cooperation, Humanitarian Aid & Crisis Response

Union Minister for Labour and Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Aung Kyi receives European Commissioner responsible for International Cooperation, Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Response Mrs. Kristalina Georgieva and party.

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NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept — Union Minister for Labour and for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Aung Kyi received European Commissioner responsible for International Cooperation, Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Response Mrs. Kristalina Georgieva at his office here yesterday.

During the meeting, they discussed matters on European Union's aid to Cyclone Giri victims and the disabled and aged people and cooperation in disaster preparedness in Myanmar.— *MNA*

Yangon marks World First Aid Day (2011)

YANGON, 10 Sept—A ceremony to observe World First Aid Day 2011 took place at Nursing University in Lanmadaw Township here today, attended by Chief Minister of Yangon Region U Myint Swe.

Chairman of Yangon Region Red Cross Supervisory Committee Head of Yangon Region Health Department Dr Hla Myint read the message sent by President of Myanmar Red Cross Society Prof Dr Tha Hla Shwe.

The chief minister presented prizes to the townships that could well organize people as permanent members. The officials concerned awarded the winners who took part in the contest to mark World First Aid Day and presented first aids township red cross societies. The chief minister and party viewed World First Aid Day activities.—*MNA*

Meeting between UN agencies, INGOs for rural development and poverty alleviation held

UN agencies and INGOs hold coordination meeting on rural development and poverty alleviation.

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NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—The State forming eight supporting committees has been making efforts to carry out rural development and poverty alleviation programmes. The meeting between the UN agencies and INGOs engaging in regional development tasks in regions and states was held at Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development here today, with an opening address by Deputy Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Dr Kan Zaw.

Deputy Minister for Border Affairs Maj-Gen Zaw Win, Deputy Minister for Information U Soe Win and Taninthayi Region Minister for Finance and Revenue U Myat Ko explained work programmes.

Next, the officials of Agriculture and Irrigation Ministry, Environmental Conservation and Forestry Ministry, Commerce Ministry, Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Ministry, Industry-2 Ministry, Education Ministry, Health Ministry, Livestock and Fisheries Ministry, nine UN agencies and three INGOs also took part in the discussion.

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Flood bulletin

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—According to the 12.30 hr MST observation today, the water level of Sittoung River in Toungoo 661 cm has exceeded by 61 cm (about 2 feet) above its danger level. It may continue to rise about 30 cm (one foot) during the next 48 hrs commencing this noon and will remain above its danger level 600 cm, said the Department of Meteorology and Hydrology.

MNA

US Marines and Taleban fight battle of perceptions

Soldiers help carry a wounded Afghan man into a US military clinic following what witnesses described as a car-bomb attack against a military checkpoint, in Sangin, Helmand Province, on 8 Sept, 2011. Witnesses described seeing several Afghan soldiers and civilians laying dead following the attack, and several wounded were evacuated.— INTERNET

FORWARD OPERATING BASE JACKSON (Afghanistan), 10 Sept—The jarring blast near the American base sent up a cloud of smoke that drifted silently in the breeze. "Not good," a US Marine said. Minutes later, vehicles raced through the gates with the wounded, three Marines and half a dozen Afghans. Some lay bloodied on stretchers as medics worked on them. Soon, a pair of helicopters swept in and scooped up the injured, including a bomb sniffer dog, for delivery to a military hospital.

Word spread. A suicide bomber in a car packed with explosives had attacked security forces in the Sangin District centre, next to the Marine battalion headquarters in an area of southern Afghanistan that has seen some of the war's hardest fighting. Three Afghan police and four civilians were killed.

Marines at Forward Operating Base Jackson called Thursday's attack part of a battle of perceptions with Taleban militants in a war triggered by the 9/11 attacks.

The Taleban, driven from power after sheltering Osama bin Laden, need to remind residents they are capable of inflicting damage on any opponent. The Marines must convince the Afghans that they have weakened the Taleban so much that they could never pose a threat — even as the US and its allies transfer security responsibility to Afghan forces by the end of 2014.—*Internet*

Four NATO soldiers killed in Afghanistan

KABUL, 10 Sept — Four NATO soldiers were killed on Friday in Afghanistan, NATO confirmed on Saturday.

"An International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) service member died following an militant attack in southern Afghanistan yesterday." said the statement issued by NATO-led coalition force.

Three other ISAF soldiers were killed in a militant attack in eastern Afghanistan on Friday, according to a separate ISAF statement.

However, the brief statements did not reveal the nationalities of the victims under ISAF policy.

A total of 425 foreign soldiers, most of them Americans, have been killed in Afghanistan so far this year.—*Xinhua*

Pennsylvania hit by huge flooding, towns submerged

WILKES-BARRE, 10 Sept—The Susquehanna River, swollen by rainfall from the remnants of Tropical Storm Lee, reached record levels in Pennsylvania on Friday and submerged some towns amid worry that flood waters had been turned toxic by swamped sewage processing plants. Rainfall ended in the region from the powerful weather system that earlier drenched the US Gulf Coast. But rising rivers and stressed dams and levees presented a stern challenge to Pennsylvania as well as Virginia and Maryland, states socked by flooding in late August after Hurricane Irene.

One Pennsylvania college town, Bloomsburg, was under water and closed to all but emergency workers. The Susquehanna reached a record high of 42.6 feet in hard-hit Wilkes-Barre early on Friday but the levee system held in the northeastern Pennsylvania city, meteorologists said. The river topped the 40.9-foot level in flooding caused by Hurricane Agnes in 1972.

By later on Friday, Susquehanna had receded a bit to 41.4 feet. A levee system protected Wilkes-Barre but remained under heavy pressure and had sprung a few small leaks, Luzerne County engineer Jim Brozina said at a news conference.

Reuters

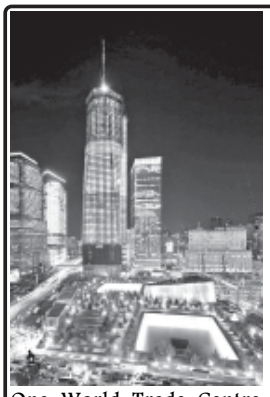
Floodwaters rise from the Passaic River in Paterson, New Jersey on 9 September, 2011. INTERNET

Heavy rains cause one death, leaving 48,000 homeless in southern Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO, 10 Sept— Continuous rainfall in southern Brazil has killed one and left 48,000 people homeless for the past few days, local authorities said Friday.

In Guabiruba City, Santa Catarina state, a 66-year-old man identified as Valdomiro Carminatti was killed when the roof of his house collapsed on top of him. According to the Civil Defence services of Santa Catarina state, among the 48,000 homeless people, at least 13,000 stayed at public shelters.

Some 680,400 people from 71 municipalities had been affected by the rain, while 15 towns have already declared state of emergency due to ensuing floods, said the Civil Defence services.—*Xinhua*



One World Trade Centre and the September 11 Memorial are ablaze in lights on 9 Sept, 2011 in New York. Sunday will mark the 10th anniversary of the September 11 attacks on the United States.
INTERNET

Obama calls for unity on 9/11 anniversary

WASHINGTON, 10 Sept—President Barack Obama is calling on America to come together on the anniversary of the 11 Sept, 2001 terror attacks and look to a shared future, even while reflecting on a decade filled with strife.

"It's clear for all the world to see — the terrorists who attacked us that September morning are no match for the character of our people, the resilience of our nation, or the endurance of our values," the president said Saturday in his weekly radio and Internet address a day ahead of the 10th anniversary of the attacks.

"We're doing everything in our power to protect our people," he said. "And no matter what comes our way, as a resilient nation, we will carry on."

Obama, a little-known state senator in Illinois at the time of the attacks, now has the responsibility to help lead the United States in remembrance of a national trauma 10 years on.

Internet

29 injured as train derails in Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 10 Sept—At least 29 people were injured as a passenger train from Lahore to Rawalpindi derailed Saturday morning in Pakistan, reported local Urdu TV channel Duniya. The incident took place at about 5:10 am local time when the passenger train derailed at Sara-e-Alamgir, a village on the eastern bank of Jhelum River in Gujrat District in Punjab Province.

Gujrat is located some halfway between Lahore, provincial capital of Punjab, and Rawalpindi, a neighbouring city of Islamabad, capital of Pakistan. About five compartments of the train derailed because the rail track was filled with mud brought by the rain in the area, said railway officials. They ruled out the possibility of terrorism.—*Xinhua*

China's August trade surplus tumbles to $17.8B

Containers are seen lined up at the deep-sea port of Shanghai. China's trade surplus contracted sharply to $17.8 billion in August, down from $31.5 billion in July, as imports rose to a new record high, according to official data released on Saturday.—INTERNET

BEIJING, 10 Sept—China's trade surplus contracted sharply to $17.8 billion in August, down from $31.5 billion in July, as imports rose to a new record high, according to official data released on Saturday.

The trade surplus is a perennial point of contention for China's key trade partners, the United States and Europe, who seek better market access to the world's second-biggest economy.

China's August exports rose 24.5 percent year-on-year to $173.3 billion, the customs agency said in a statement.

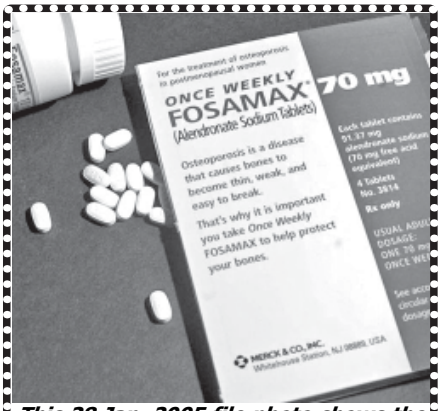
But imports jumped 30.2 percent to $155.5 billion in August, breaking the previously monthly record of $152.2 billion set in March.

The decline in the trade surplus exceeded forecasts made by a panel of 12 economists surveyed by Dow Jones Newswires, who had a median expectation of $23.4 billion for August.

Business

The economists had expected imports to increase by 21 just percent, and exports by 21.6 percent.

Some analysts had expected poor consumer confidence in the United States and Europe to hit China's exports, but the latest figures show outgoing shipments above forecasts, indicating the Chinese economy is weathering the downturn.—*Internet*



This 28 Jan, 2005 file photo shows the Merck & Co product, Fosamax. Food and Drug Administration advisers voted on 9 Sept, 2011 to require makers of widely used osteoporosis drugs to clarify how long patients should take them for the greatest benefit and least risk.—INTERNET

Health Tip: Dealing with dizziness during pregnancy

It's common for women to feel dizzy during pregnancy, for reasons that include pressure on blood vessels caused by the expanding uterus, and the need to eat more food.

The Womenshealth.gov website suggests how to reduce dizziness during pregnancy:

Health

* Stand up slowly.
* Try not to stand for long periods.
* Don't skip regular meals.
* Lie down on your left side when resting.
* Wear loose-fitted clothing.—*Internet*

Talking — or not talking — can give cancer patients a sense of control

Health

AUSTIN, 10 Sept—Having control over how to communicate with family, friends and colleagues about their disease helps cancer patients cope with their situation, according to a new study.

Researchers at the University of Texas at Austin interviewed cancer survivors about strategies they used in managing information about their illness, how they handled conversations about their condition, challenges they faced, advice they received, and recommendations they would make to others.

The results showed that communication is an important element in coping with cancer because it gives patients a sense of control during an extremely difficult time, the researchers said.

But they also found that it's not possible to predict or control other people's reactions, despite cancer patients' best efforts to structure and control communication.

"Our study suggests that the very act of taking steps to be protective when communicating about cancer may benefit people because doing so empowers them during a time characterized by so much helplessness," Erin Donovan-Kicken, an assistant professor of communication studies, said in a university news release.

Cancer patients said it helped to be able to tell even well-meaning family and friends that they needed space; that they needed to focus on themselves without needing to support others; and to avoid people who were sad or overly solicitous.

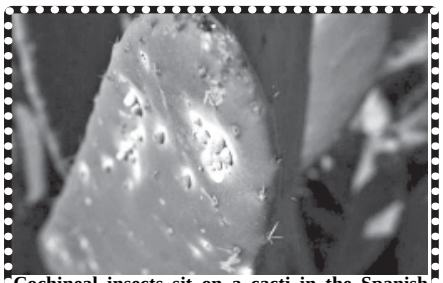
The study appeared in the August issue of *the Journal of Applied Communication Research.—Internet*

A child orphaned by AIDS waits for food to be handed out at a United Nations farm school near Swaziland's capital Mbabane, in this picture taken on 9 February, 2006.—INTERNET

Gold holds steady Friday

NEW YORK, 10 Sept—Gold prices held steady Friday on the Comex division of the New York Mercantile Exchange, as equities plunged on Wall Street. Gold gained a nominal $1.70 to reach $1,859.20 on a day in which the Dow Jones industrial average gave up 303 points or 2.7 percent, closing just under 11,000 points.

It was an up-and-down week shortened by the Labour Day holiday that ended with two days of losses in New York. The Standard & Poor's 500 index gave up 2.67 percent or 31.67 points to 1,154.23. Oil prices slipped, dropping $1.75 to $87.30 per barrel, as the dollar index jumped 1.19 percent.—*Internet*



Cochineal insects sit on a cacti in the Spanish Canary Island of Lanzarote. The tiny insects, which could be mistaken for tiny white stains, are being cultivated for their crimson dye.—INTERNET

Google paid $125 million for Zagat

Tech

NEW YORK, 10 Sept—Internet search and advertising giant Google paid around $125 million for restaurant review guide Zagat, *The Wall Street Journal* reported on Friday.

Google announced the acquisition on Thursday but did not disclose how much it paid for Zagat Survey, which provides reviews of restaurants, hotels and other attractions in more than 100 cities around the world. Announcing the purchase, Google vice president Marissa Mayer said Zagat "will be a cornerstone of our local offering — delighting people with their impressive array of reviews, ratings and insights."—*Internet*

NASA hopes to launch delayed moon gravity-mapping probes today

Science

WASHINGTON, 10 Sept—After two days of delay caused by bad weather and a technical glitch, NASA is once again ready to launch two probes toward the moon to unlock the secrets of lunar gravity.

The twin Grail spacecraft are expected to launch from Florida's Cape Canaveral Air Force Station today (10 Sept) at 8:29 am EDT (1229 GMT), with a second opportunity available at 9:08 am EDT (1308 GMT), if needed, NASA officials said. The $496 million moon probes were initially slated to launch atop their unmanned *Delta 2 rocket* on 8 Sept but unacceptable high-altitude winds forced NASA to delay the liftoff.

Another chance on Friday was called off to give engineers time to assess the rocket's propulsion system after a potential glitch was detected.After a series of reviews, the team concluded that there are no issues with the rocket or its propulsion system, NASA officials said.

Today's weather forecast is more optimistic, and current predictions show a 60 percent chance of acceptable conditions at the time of launch, agency officials said. NASA has specific limits for acceptable launch weather conditions, with high winds, rain, thunder and lightning all present potential safety risks. For example, high upper level winds can affect the way rockets fly through Earth's upper atmosphere as they blast into orbit.

The agency will closely monitor weather conditions overnight in preparation for tomorrow's attempt. The Grail mission (whose name is short for Gravity Recovery and Interior Laboratory) has a 42-day launch window that extends through 19 Oct, officials have said. The twin Grail spacecraft, called *Grail-A* and *Grail-B*, will closely examine the composition of the lunar interior, and will make detailed and precise maps of the moon's gravitational field. The three-month mission is expected to help scientists solve mysteries of the moon's origin and its evolution since the natural satellite was formed 4.6 billion years ago. Researchers are also hoping to use Grail's observations to better understand how other large, rocky bodies in the inner solar system were formed.—*Internet*

This image provided by NASA shows NASA's GRAIL twin spacecraft await launch atop a United Launch Alliance Delta II rocket at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Fla. Thursday Evening on 8 Sept, 2011. NASA's latest moonshot has been delayed again, this time until Saturday because of rocket concerns. High wind halted the countdown Thursday, and NASA aimed for Friday. Then late Thursday night, NASA bumped the launch to Saturday. Liftoff time is 8:29 am.—INTERNET

Alibaba to release English mobile OS this month

Tech

A man walks past a logo of Alibaba (China) Technology Co Ltd at its headquarters on the outskirts of Hangzhou, Zhejiang Province on 11 August, 2011.—INTERNET

HANGZHOU. 10 Sept—Alibaba Cloud Computing, a unit of Alibaba Group, will release an English version of its mobile operating system this month and launch its tablet in the next two months, a top company executive said on Friday. Wang Jian, Alibaba Group's chief architect and president of Alibaba Cloud Computing, told reporters the firm was in talks with global hardware vendors on partnerships regarding its mobile OS but declined to give details.

Chinese Internet companies are expanding into the mobile hardware space as they try to bolster market share in a nascent but rapidly growing market. "Eventually all our services will be delivered on mobile. People will spend less time in front of their computer screens and more time in front of their smartphones," Wang said. Wang said that the English mobile OS would be available via upgrade.

Alibaba launched in late July its first self-developed mobile operating system and smartphone in a bid to capture a slice of China's rapidly growing mobile Internet market. Earlier this week, Dell Inc confirmed that it was working with Baidu Inc to develop smartphones and tablets for the Chinese market.—*Reuters*

Opel to introduce EV concept car that costs pennies to drive

Tech

NEW YORK, 10 Sept——As green thinking becomes a world affair, electric vehicles are beginning to pop up in all shapes and sizes. The economic Nissan Leaf can already be seen buzzing around US roads, while Cadillac and BMW both have more luxurious electric offerings poised to hit dealerships shortly. German automaker Opel is now getting in on the mix, with a two-seat electric concept vehicle set to be revealed at the Frankfurt Motor Show next week.

The compact cruiser doesn't have an official name, but is instead being touted as the "One Euro Car" because it can travel 100 kilometers (roughly 62 miles) for just one euro (or $1.41). With mobility in mind, the new vehicle boasts one-third the weight of a typical compact car and a top speed of 75 miles per hour.

The company is positioning the new vehicle as an affordable, environmentally-friendly option for younger drivers. An Opel Press release even suggests that a speed-limited version of the two-seater could be introduced which could selectively top out at around 28mph — making it fine for city

Opel "One Euro Car".

driving, but preventing lead feet. As with all concept cars, there's no guarantee that the futuristic EV will ever make it to market, but in the cost-conscious times of today it certainly has a fighting chance.

Opel hasn't sold cars in the United States under its own nameplate since the early 70s. But as it is a General Motors brand, several of Opel's designs have come to US dealerships under GM brands including Saturn, Buick, and Cadillac, so don't be entirely surprised if a version of the conceptual electric speedster eventually makes it stateside.—*Internet*

East African famine summit resolves to boost green cover

NAIROBI, 10 Sept—East African leaders wound up a one-day summit to discuss the drought and famine crisis in the Horn of Africa region, warning failure to tackle it could plunge the region into a general food conflict.

The leaders from the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) and the East African Community (EAC) called for the creation of what they termed "natural buffer zone against disasters" and agreed on a target to boost forest cover by 2017. "We undertake to promote ecosystem rehabilitation and management with a purpose of building natural buffers against disasters specifically identifying common targets on increasing land cover and improved water resource management," they affirmed in a Nairobi Declaration issued at the end of the summit.

The targeted action, the leaders vowed, would be to increase the forestry cover to 10 percent of the region's entire area and robustly improve irrigation cover to an equal measure by 2017 while applying strategies to curb over-grazing. "This (drought) is not about loss of livestock. It is about the loss of lives. It is about the insecurities that come with it, — health security, national security and food security," South Sudanese President Salva Kiir told the drought Summit here Friday.—*Xinhua*

Toys are displayed during the Fouth Kazakhstan International Children's Products Exhibition in Almaty of Kazakhstan, on 8 Sept, 2011. The exhibition kicked off here Thursday with the pariticipation of more than 50 companies from China, Russia, Germany, etc.—XINHUA

Pakistani school girls walk into flooded water after heavy rain in eastern Pakistan's Lahore on 9 September, 2011. Heavy rains and subsequent flooding have almost destroyed 21 districts of Sindh Province, as 17 more people were killed in rain-related incidents on Thursday taking the death toll to 152. A fresh data released by the Sindh government said 13,633 villages have been destroyed affecting a population of 4,839,919, while standing crops on 2,215,962 acres of land have been washed away.—XINHUA

First black child diagnosed with aging disease

JOHANNESBURG, 10 Sept—The elfin child with the big personality and bright smile calls herself "the first lady" and dreams of the future. But doctors say 12-year-old Ontlametse Phalatse has only, perhaps, another couple of years to live. "I call myself a first lady because I'm the first black child with this disease ... Which other black child do you know with this disease?" she challenged.

In this photo taken on 24 Aug, 2011 progeria sufferer Ontlametse Phalatse, front, reads to the class during reading lessons at the Lorato Primary School in Hebron, near Pretoria, South Africa. 12-year-old Phalatse, who resembles an ageing woman and is half the size of her classmates, is the only known black female born with the extremely rare premature ageing disease.—INTERNET

Ontlametse is the first black child diagnosed with progeria, a rare and fatal genetic condition that accelerates the aging process, the Progeria Research Foundation said.

Nobody knows how many kids in the world have it. In a two-year campaign to identify them, the Progeria Research Foundation says the number of children diagnosed around the world has soared from 48 to 80 on five continents.

The foundation's executive director, Audrey Gordon, says only two Africans have been diagnosed and both live in South Africa — Ontlametse and a 5-year-old white girl. That is probably because South Africa, an economic powerhouse, offers some of the best medical care on the continent.

Gordon says there are several black holes on the map in her office studded with colored tacks where they have found children living with progeria.

Internet

Power restored in Southwest, Mexico after outage

SAN DIEGO, 10 Sept—Power was restored on Friday to some 7 million people plunged into darkness by a blackout, blamed partly on "human failure," that snarled traffic, idled elevators and sent workers home early in parts of California, Mexico and Arizona.

The outage, traced to a botched maintenance procedure by an Arizona utility worker, left all of San Diego — California's second most populous city — without power for at least seven hours and ranks as one of the biggest US blackouts in recent history.

But it paled in comparison to a massive 2003 power failure that left about 50 million people without electricity in the eastern United States and Canada.

San Diego's lights began to return shortly before 11 pm Thursday, and Sempra Energy's San Diego Gas & Electric power company said it had restored power to all 1.4 million of its customers — homes and businesses roughly equivalent to 3.5 million people — by early on Friday.

Across the border in Baja California, where 3.5 million people lost electricity, power had been restored to 1.1 million customers by early morning, Mexico's Federal Electricity Commission said in a statement.

Reuters

Traffic and pedestrians move through a powerless intersection following a power outage in Cardiff, California, on 8 Sept, 2011.
INTERNET

Russian troops to get new-generation tanks in 2014

MOSCOW, 10 Sept—Russia's armored units will begin receiving new-generation main battle tanks in 2014, the Defence Ministry said Saturday.

Without specifying the model of the new tanks, ministry spokesman Lt Col Sergei Vlasov told reporters they would replace the country's current tank fleet over a six-year span, ending 2020.

According to Russian media, the new-generation tanks may include two models, tentatively dubbed the T-95 and the T-99, presumedly with better firepower, maneuverability, electronics and armor protection than the T-90 tanks.

Currently, the Russian Ground Forces are equipped with T-72, T-80 and T-90 main battle tanks and their variants.

Xinhua

Teen who lost legs in train accident awake, joking

DENVER, 10 Sept—A 17-year-old girl whose legs were severed when she tried to hop aboard a moving freight train in Colorado is in good spirits and has been joking with her siblings at a Denver hospital, police said.

Anna Beninati's family plans to take her home soon to Sandy, Utah, so that she can begin her rehabilitation, Longmont police Cmdr Jeff Satur told *the Times-Call (http://goo.gl/1W1Xg)*.

Beninati and three male friends were going to Fort Collins, where she was attending Colorado State University, when she tried to hop the train Monday in Longmont, about 30 miles north of Denver. Her legs were detached near her knees when she fell under the train. Her family said in a statement Friday that she is awake at Denver Health, where family and friends have surrounded her at her bedside.

"Anna's close friends know her by Rush, a nickname she earned from a school teacher not by rushing through assignments, but for her eagerness to see what is next," the family said.—*Internet*

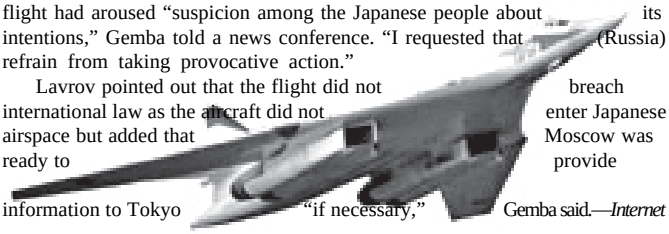
This undated image provided by the Denver Health Medical Centre shows train accident victim, Anna Beninati, with friends, from left, Sean Halla, Charlie Hamilton and Micauley Ayraud in Longmont, Colo. Beninati, 17, suffered the loss of both legs on 5 Sept, 2011, when she fell from a moving train after she attempted to jump on it for a ride.
INTERNET

Japan urges Russia to stop bomber flights

TOKYO, 10 Sept—Russian bombers have flown around Japan amid a territorial dispute, Tokyo's new Foreign Minister Koichiro Gemba said Friday, calling on Moscow to refrain from "provocative" military action.

Gemba said he expressed Tokyo's concern about the flight of two *Tupolev Tu-95MS* bombers around the Japanese mainland on Thursday, in a telephone conversation with his Russian counterpart Sergei Lavrov. The two countries are in dispute over Russian-held islands on the fringe of the Okhotsk Sea, called the southern Kurils in Russia but also claimed by Japan, where they are collectively known as the Northern Territories. The dispute worsened last November when Dmitry Medvedev became the first Russian president to visit the archipelago, followed by other senior Russian officials. Thursday's flight had aroused "suspicion among the Japanese people about its intentions," Gemba told a news conference. "I requested that (Russia) refrain from taking provocative action."

Lavrov pointed out that the flight did not breach international law as the aircraft did not enter Japanese airspace but added that Moscow was ready to provide information to Tokyo "if necessary," Gemba said.—*Internet*



***A Russian Tupolev bomber flies over Murmansk, Russia. Russian bombers have flown around Japan amid a territorial dispute, Tokyo's new Foreign Minister Koichiro Gemba said Friday, calling on Moscow to refrain from "provocative" military action.—*INTERNET**

Storm aims at Mexico with 10 oil workers missing

VILLAHERMOSA, 10 Sept—Authorities on Mexico's gulf coast are preparing for Tropical Storm Nate, while air and sea search teams hunted for 10 oil workers missing since abandoning a disabled research vessel in stormy waters. Forecasts said Nate was still moving toward the coast very slowly, but was expected to pick up some speed Saturday. They said the storm would approach the coast Sunday, mostly likely just below hurricane strength.

Mexico's state oil company, Petroleos Mexicanos, had two ships searching for the missing oil workers. A port official said Friday that they included four Americans, four Mexicans, one from Kazakhstan and a 10th of unconfirmed nationality.

The workers, employees of Houston-based Geokinetics Inc, called for help Thursday afternoon after leaving a vessel known as a liftboat, the Trinity II, on an enclosed life raft. "We're deeply concerned about the incident in the Gulf of Mexico involving our employees and others who had to abandon a disabled liftboat due to conditions brought about by Tropical Storm Nate," Geokinetics spokeswoman Brenda Taquino said.—*Internet*

Kroger 2Q net income up 7.3 pct, sales top $20B

CINCINNATI, 10 Sept—Kroger Co reported Friday that second-quarter profits and sales rose, but the nation's largest grocery store operator says shoppers are feeling bleaker about the economy.

Kroger, like many companies, has been passing along higher prices to consumers to offset its rising costs and higher supplier prices for meat, produce and other items. Kroger said customers are shopping more often, but buying fewer items per trip and also buying more store brands that are usually priced lower than national brands.

With national unemployment of 9.1 percent and a volatile stock market, higher prices make shoppers wary. Kroger said product costs rose 5.2 percent in the quarter — seen most in seafood, meat and produce. Kroger shares fell nearly 6 percent, down $1.33 to close at $22.02 as the broader markets sold off. The stock has traded in a 52-week range of $20.53 to $25.85.

Some analysts expre-ssed concern because Kroger's profit margins were lower and the rough economy could mean a return to pricecutting competition that undercut industry results during the Great Recession.

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***This on 7 Sept, 2011 photo shows a jar of Kroger Spanish olives, in Cincinnati. Kroger Co bagged surges in sales and profits for its second quarter, as the nation's largest grocery store chain continued to build shopper loyalty in a sluggish economy with incentives such as fuel rewards and special coupons.—*INTERNET**

US man sues ex for failing to return USD 53k engagement ring, gifted car

WASHINGTON, 10 Sept —A California business man is suing his former fiancee, demanding that she return a diamond engagement ring worth 53,000 dollars and a 2006 Hummer he gave her after the two had agreed to marry.

James Mekalian, the owner of a truck and tractor company, has accused his ex Nichole Grazioli of deceit and fraud, claiming that she misled him by engaging in "alternate relationships," among other things. According to court documents, in April 2011, Grazioli broke off the couple's engagement. When Mekalian requested the return of the ring and the 2006 Hummer, Grazilio refused. In the court filings, Mekalian alleges "the supression of facts" pertaining to infidelity and the "intent to break off the engagement were likely to mislead" and "did mislead" Mekalian.

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Survivor found in Bolivian jungle after plane crash

LA PAZ, 10 Sept—A passenger was found alive Friday in the Amazon jungle three days after a small plane crashed, killing the other eight people on board, Bolivian authorities said.

Rescuers found Minor Vidal suffering head and rib injuries but was out of danger.

The Aerocon plane carried seven passengers, including two Colombian nationals, and two crew members when it disappeared Tuesday night. The wreckage was detected some 10 km northeast of Trinidad, capital of the northern Province of Beni.

Xinhua

Pyithu Hluttaw representatives, excursion teams visit paddy, sugarcane plantations in Nay Pyi Taw

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept — Four Hluttaw representatives who are taking part in First Pyithu Hluttaw second regular session led by Secretary U Aung Thant of Agriculture and Livestock Breeding Development Committee, 100-member excursion team of Sugarcane Department and 50-member excursion team of Myanma Perennial Crops Enterprise totalling 154 visited 500-acre educative farm this morning. Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing and the deputy minister explained development of agriculture sector.

The Union minister called on service personnel agriculturalists to strive for rendering their skills to farmers, to set up region-wise model farmlands of specialized crops including paddy so as to set good examples for farmers to follow and to organize farmers to share their knowledge each other from the modern farmlands to the entire nation.

Next, the deputy minister gave an account of sugarcane cultivation methods and stressed the need for use of seed jump, fertilizer jump and technology jump in order to boost per acre yield.

Secretary of Agriculture and Livestock Breeding Development Committee Pyithu Hluttaw Representative of Patheingyi Constituency U Aung Thant called for more efforts to establish systematic cultivation methods-provided model farmlands and hand over them to farmers by officials concerned and to use prescribed methods for boosting agricultural production in the entire nation and urged agriculturalists to make field trips at grass-root level.

Member of National Planning and Financial Development Committee Pyithu Hluttaw Representative U Kyi Pyone of Singaing Constituency stressed the need to realize the implementation of 14 scientific cultivation methods set by the ministry for crops output growth by holding discussions with farmers.

Secretary of Sports, Culture and Public Relations Committee Pyithu Hluttaw Representative of Bagan-NyaungU Constituency U Aung Kyaing stressed the need to strive for development of the role of rice to be on a par with the world nations.

Secretary of Farmer, Worker and Youth Affairs Committee Pyithu Hluttaw Representative of Lewe Constituency U Htay Win called for collaborative efforts between the ministry and organizations concerned for development of agriculture sector the whole nation.

The Union minister and excursion teams observed thriving sugarcane and paddy plantations which are being provided with scientific cultivation methods, five-acre high yield sugarcane plantation at Thabyebin village, 20-acre high yield paddy plantation at Thittatkon village in Zeyathiri Township in Nay Pyi Taw and 10-acre sugarcane plantation and tissue culture plantation at Kyi-in village-tract in Pyinmana Township of Nay Pyi Taw.—*MNA*

Union Minister U Aung Kyi receives US Special Representative and Policy Coordinator for Myanmar Mr Derek Mitchell and party

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Sept—Union Minister for Labour and for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Aung Kyi received US Special Representative and Policy Coordinator for Myanmar Mr Derek Mitchell and party at the ministry, here, at 9.30 am today. They shared views on developments and cooperation in democratization in Myanmar.

Also present at the call were Deputy Minister for Labour U Myint Thein and directors-general and together with US Special Representative and Policy Coordinator for Myanmar Mr Derek Mitchell and party was Charge d' Affaires ai of the US Embassy Mr Michael E Thurston.

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***Union Minister for Labour and for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Aung Kyi receives US Special Representative and Policy Coordinator for Myanmar Mr Derek Mitchell and party.*—MNA**

MMU nurtures skillful seafarers

YANGON, 10 Sept — Students are very interested in pursuing education at Myanmar Maritime University which is one of the reliable institutes. Myanmar Maritime University of the Ministry of Transport was opened on 1 August in 2002 at Institute of Marine Technology at Hsinmalike in Kamaryut Township in Yangon Region. On 1 December 2003, the institute was moved to Thilawa area in Thanlyin Township.

Previously, Myanmar Maritime University accepted male students only. Since 2008-09, 77 female students, 20 per cent of number of students the university can hold, were allowed to attend.

There were only 225 students at the time when the University was opened. Now 2124 male and female students are taking the respective courses at the university.

With the aim of ensuring the standards of international university, arrangements are being made to provide lectures in accord with training standard for seafarers set by International Maritime Organization, standard for internationally-recognized university and standards set by ASEAN Universities Network and the university is turning out skillful seafarers.

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Union ECF Minister receives Chinese guests

***Union Minister for Environmental Conservation and Forestry U Win Tun receives Chairman of China International Forestry Group (CIFG) Co Mr. Zhang Zhang De and party.*—MNA**

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept — Union Minister for Environmental Conservation and Forestry U Win Tun received Chairman of China International Forestry Group (CIFG) Co Mr. Zhang Zhang De and party at his officer here today.

During the meeting, they discussed bilateral cooperation on cultivation of mulverry trees, silkworm culture and conservation of pine trees and creating job opportunities for local people and development of forest and industry sector.

Also present at the call were Minister for Chin State Agriculture and Livestock Breeding U Ban Htaung, Acting Director-General of the Forest Department U Aye Myint Maung, Director-General of the Dry Zones Greening Department U Htay Aung, Managing Director of the Myanmar Timber Enterprise U Khin Maung Yi and Head of Office U Myo Win.

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Chairman of Myanmar National Sports...

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Football Tournament between selected Myanmar youth team and Vietnam at Youth Training Camp in Thingangyun Towship. He, together with officials, greeted the footballers and watched the match.

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Bago Region Chief Minister views thriving paddy plantation in Okpo Tsp

YANGON, 10 Sept—Bago Region Chief Minister U Nyan Win called for agricultural mechanization after inspecting power tillers, harvesters and winnowing machines at the guesthouse of Irrigation Department Construction (9) in Thayawady District on 7 September.

He inspected Farmer U Nyunt Swe's thriving paddy plantation grown with scientific methods on 10-acre farmland in Okpo Township and instructed to mitigate wastages, to winnow with machines and to reclaim two-acre and three-acre plots.

The thriving hybrid paddy can yield 160 baskets per acre and Hsinthukha paddy strain, 120 baskets per acre. Farmers are encouraged with doubled per acre yield than that of conventional method.

The chief minister met departmental staff at the meeting hall of General Administration Department in Okpo Township. He attended the opening ceremony of new school building of Basic Education Post-Primary School in Watkaw village in Zigon Township and formally opened the new school building.

At the ceremony, the chief minister called for durability of the buildings and for nurturing new generations who are reliable by the State and well-wishers made cash donations.

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Winners awarded in Ninth World First Aid Day and First Aid Contests

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—A ceremony to award winners in the 2011 Ninth World First Aid Day and First Aid Contests at the Myanmar Red Cross Society on Yazathingaha Road, here, this morning, with an address by Deputy Minister for Health Dr Daw Myat Myat Ohn Khin.

The deputy minister presented championship shield to Yangon Region Red Cross Society in 2011 first aid contests.

They viewed the booth on first aid.

President of MRCS Dr Tha Hla Shwe read message on 2011 World First Aid Day.

The president and officials presented prizes to winners in the first aid skills contest.

Also present on the occasion were directors-general of departments under the ministry, responsible persons of International Committee of the Red Cross and International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Associations, departmental officials, social organization members, red cross members and guests.—*MNA*

Deputy Minister for Health Dr Daw Myat Myat Ohn Khin presents championship shield to Yangon Region Red Cross Society.

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KIA burns Thaphanpin Forest Office of Bhamo Township Forest Department

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—KIA group set fire to Thaphanpin Forest Office of Bhamo Township Forest Department in Thaphanpin Village, northwest of Bhamo in Kachin State at 10.30 pm on 7 September.—*MNA*

Cancellation for validity of registered vehicles and substitution

The Union government will undertake substitution for private-owned old vehicles for the sake of the people. The old vehicles cause following disadvantages.

(1) over use of fuel may waste public funds
(2) the vehicles with lack of maintenance may happen traffic accidents and jams
(3) smokes from vehicles may degrade environment. Thus, the arrangements were made to substitute them with new vehicles.

To do so, the Union government will cooperate with ministries concerned as follows:-

(1) Substitution programmes were adopted for the vehicles of over 40 years old, the vehicles between over 30 to 40 years old and the vehicles between over 20 to 30 years old registered at the Directorate of Road Transport.
(2) As the first step, the vehicle of over 40 years old in registration period will be substituted with new ones.
(3) After registering the process on handing over the old vehicles, a certificate on handover will be issued to the owners. They may use the old vehicles. A permit will be issued to them to purchase a vehicle worth US$ 3500 less than the price in manufacturer countries.
(4) The permit is to be used in importing the above 1995 model.
(5) In the substitution process, the old vehicles are to be driven and handed over to the designated places bringing along with vehicle ownership books. The old vehicles will be sent to the foundry.
(6) rates of tax will be set and levied in accord with the rates set by the Ministry of Finance and Revenue and the Ministry of Rail Transportation
(7) use of vehicles which are over forty years old will be cancelled under first priority. Continued use of vehicles which are under repair will be allowed if the owners want to continue to use. However, vehicles would be substituted if Directorate of Road Transport found that vehicles are in danger at the time when renewing their licences.
(8) In carrying out the process of substitution, it is required that the names described in vehicle ownership books is has to same with the names of those who hand over the vehicles in order not to hand over vehicles with ownership complaint, shared inheritance vehicles, stolen vehicles and vehicles which was in pawn and hired and illegal vehicles. The Directorate of Road Transport will inspect and scrutinize whether vehicles which were handed over are registered.

Plans are underway to substitute old vehicles. The Ministry of Commerce has a plan to give permits to buy vehicles to export industries, hotels and tourism agencies, investors, legal employees abroad and sailors who officially open foreign exchange accounts at state-owned banks.

The Union government will allow auto makers of Japan, the People's Republic of China, India, Korea, Malaysia and Thailand to open showrooms in Myanmar. Before opening the showrooms, vehicles are to be imported through permits in carrying out substitution of over forty years old vehicles.

It is planned that the public can buy vehicles at affordable price from the showroom or aboard in future.

Ministry of Rail Transportation

Maritime Professional Training Schools opened

YANGON, 10 Sept — With the aim of creating more of job opportunities for seafarers in Myanmar, the Ministry of Transport has allowed Myanmar Mercantile Marine College, Myanmar Marine Engineering Association, Uniteam Marine (Yangon) Ltd, Kabar Services Co Ltd, Unique Marine Services Col Ltd, MYANSEA and MOSA to open Maritime Professional Training Schools in accord with prescribing rules and regulations.

Those who passed Basic English Skill Test (BEST) will be allowed to join the schools. Basic Safety Training (BST) and Pre-Sea Training Course which are essential for ensuring seafarer jobs were opened on 5 September simultaneously.

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

Smooth transportation on Meiktila- ...

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On my tour along Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung Road, I met Director of Myat Noe Thu Construction Company Engineer U Myint Kyi near Kyetmauktaung Dam at the entrance to Kyaukpadaung. In an interview, I asked about maintenance of the road. The director said that the company gave an offer of pavement design for upgrading the Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung-NyaungU-Bagan Road to Road Research Department of Public Works. The department conducted the test on the road and created the pavement design that can withstand 60-ton loads in conformity with the present road. At present, the upgrading of the road has been completed meeting with the pavement design. As a result, people can use the road safely, smoothly and conveniently, he said.

Of 93 miles and six furlongs long Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung-NyaungU -Bagan Road, 33 miles and four furlongs long Kyaukpadaung-NyaungU-Bagan section is being repaved with earthen shoulder pavement for enabling the vehicles to drive safely, he said.

Upholding the guidance of the Union Minister for Construction "Roads must be wide, straight and proper gradient" the road section from mile post 10/0, 12/7 and 30/4 of Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung Road were upgraded with proper gradient. The earthen shoulders of the road were expanded from 50 feet wide to 60 feet wide, he said.

Workers of Myat Noe Thu Construction Company upgrading Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung-Bagan Road.

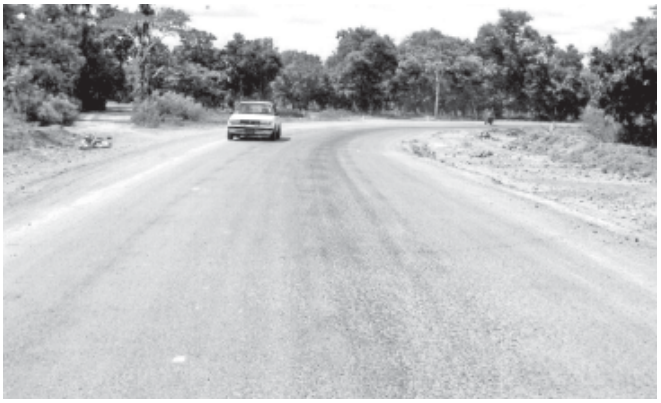

Photo shows a smooth road section on Meiktila-Bagan-NyaungU Road.

Moreover, the Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung section has been facilitated with 146 conduits, pipe culverts and box culverts. A plan is underway to extend two RPT bridges with 16 feet wide and 100 feet long motor way each to 24 feet wide facilities in 2012-2013 fiscal year. Moreover, the company is undertaking construction tasks on Katha-Sinkhan Road, Minbu-An Road, PyinOoLwin-Mogok Road and the approach road on Letpanchepaw bank of Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku) Project, he explained.

Remarkable progress has been made in facilities of transport sector of Myanmar after 1988. Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung-NyaungU-Bagan Road is one of these facilities. In the past, those wishing to visit Bagan could drive the good section from Yangon to Pyay and face the bad sections from Pyay-Magway and Magway-Kyaukpa-daung-Bagan. Moreover, Daungnay Creek was a natural barrier between Magway and Yenangyoung.

At present, the people can easily overpass the sandy creek thanks to construction of the bridge by Ministry of Construction. Meanwhile, the people can drive Yangon-Mandalay Expressway and turn into smooth and straight Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung-NyaungU-Bagan Road as an act of welcoming the pilgrams to Bagan pagodas.

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Stimulant tablets, drug, chemicals, machines...

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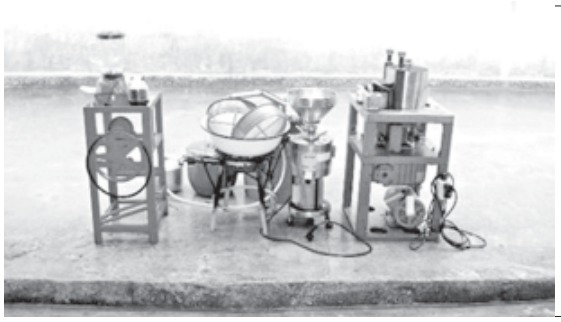
arrested Aik Sat who involved in the case around 9.45 am at the gate.

Afterwards, the special squad also searched the house and garage of Aik Sat in 4th Street, Sat Sai (B) Ward, Tachilek, and seized 8 kilos of Ice, 515 kilos of caffeine, reddish brown-coloured 22 kilos of dye, 4 kilos of white pseudo ephedrine tablets 10 kilos of ethyl vanillin powder, 29 rivets used for pressing WY letters on tablets, one .22 revolver, one Sten gun, one silencer, 37 rounds of ammunition, 10 vehicles and 14 motorcycles.

The officials seized 6600 of WY brand green-colour stimulant tablets, 800 light pink-colour stimulant tablets, 1500 pink-colour stimulants, 320 grams of pink-colour stimulant dust, 240 grams of light pink-colour stimulant powder, six plastic tablet-counting moulds, one one-long-barrel gun and 39 bullets in a raid at the home of Aik Kyone, brother of criminal Aik Sat, in Pakhote Village of Tachilek.



Some parts of machine in producing stimulant tablets and accessories.

Moreover, 39 kilos of caffeine, three .22 automatic rifles, three silencers, 265 round of ammunitions, various kind of machine parts used in making tablets and related things in the rubber farm of criminal Aik Sat near Pakhote Village of Tachilek.

Action was taken against criminals Aung Yin, Sai Phoo, Aik Hsat and Init, wife of Aik Kyone. Arrangements are being made to expose criminal Aik Kyone and accomplices.

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Aung Yin and Sai Phu seen with WY brand orange coloured stimulant tablets.

Bomb blast in Laukkai hotel kills one

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—A blast occurred in the bathroom of Room 209 on the first floor of Nayla Hotel in Laukkai in Stan State on 8 September evening, tearing the floor and bursting the walls.

Although there was no injured hotal staff, a woman at the store in front of the hotel was killed by the flying debris.

One suspect was nabbed, and investigation is underway to arrest those involved in the incident.—*MNA*

Scientists find gene that controls chronic pain

LONDON, 10 Sept—British scientists have identified a gene responsible for regulating chronic pain, called HCN2, and say their discovery should help drug researchers in their search for more effective, targeted pain-killing medicines.

Scientists from Cambridge University said that if drugs could be designed to block the protein produced by the gene, they could treat a type of pain known as neuropathic pain, which is linked to nerve damage and often very difficult to control with currently available drugs.

"Individuals suffering from neuropathic pain often have little or no respite because of the lack of effective medications," said Peter McNaughton of Cambridge's pharmacology department, who led the study. "Our research lays the groundwork for the development of new drugs to treat chronic pain by blocking HCN2." Pain is an enormous health burden worldwide, estimated to cost more than 200 billion euros (174 billion pounds) a year in Europe and around $150 billion (94 billion pounds) a year in the United States. Studies show that around 22 percent of people with chronic pain become depressed and 25 percent go on to lose their jobs.—*Reuters*

Actors in medieval knight costumes perform during cultural manifestation "Smederevo's Autumn" in Smederevo, 40 kilometres southeast of Belgrade, Serbia, on 8 Sept, 2011.
XINHUA

Two egrets fight for food in the Xinkai River estuary in Qinhuangdao City, north China's Hebei Province, on 8 Sept, 2011. As the season changed, migratory birds began to arrive at the coastal wetland in Qinhuangdao.—XINHUA

Traditional Chinese Medicine exhibition opens in Vienna

VIENNA, 10 Sept—The three day Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) exhibition opened Friday in the Flower Garden Hirschstetten in Vienna, with the aim to introduce traditional Chinese medicine to the Austrians and to arouse their interest in the culture of Chinese medicine. Holding for the second time, the exhibition this year have attracted more visitors to take part in the health talks on traditional Chinese medicine, read or buy books around the theme of traditional Chinese medicine. Some visitors enthusiastically tried Chinese diet therapy prepared by the organizers.

In recent years, traditional Chinese medicine has been increasingly recognized and accepted in Austria. It has already not only entered into the classroom but also into the hospital and clinic. Some private health insurance companies in Austria have started to include the treatment by traditional Chinese medicine into their insuring categories. Chinese patent drugs are already available in many pharmacies in Austria.—*Xinhua*

A pharmacist of Apotheke Wien Mitte offers beef soup cooked with traditional Chinese medicine at Blumegarten Hirschstetten on the outskirts of Vienna, capital of Austria, on 9 Sept, 2011.
XINHUA

Quake off Vancouver, no damage reported

VANCOUVER, 10 Sept—A magnitude 6.4 quake struck off Vancouver Island on Friday, some 175 miles northwest of Vancouver on Canada's Pacific coast, but no damage was reported in the city, eyewitnesses said.

In the US city of Seattle just south of the border, police reported slight rattling but no signs of damage. Canada says the Pacific Coast is the country's most earthquake prone region, with some 1,000 tremors a year. There have been about 100 quakes of magnitude 5 or higher off the coast of Vancouver Island.

The quake, initially reported as a magnitude 6.8, was very shallow at 14.3 miles under the seabed, said the US Geological Survey. The Pacific Tsunami Warning Centre said the quake did not trigger a tsunami warning.

An eyewitnesses in one downtown Vancouver building said it swayed. Other people in the area said they felt nothing.

Vancouver Island hugs the coast of British Columbia and is almost 300 miles long and some 50 miles wide at its widest point. Much of it is thinly populated, with rocky beaches, thick forests and cliffs falling into the Pacific Ocean.

The quake struck close to the town of Gold River on the island. "There were three of them (tremors). Two were back to back and then five minutes later there was a third smaller one," said Laurinda Rich, manager of the Gold River Golf Club. "It shook the whole building here at the golf course. Everything was shaking in the kitchen," she told *Reuters*.

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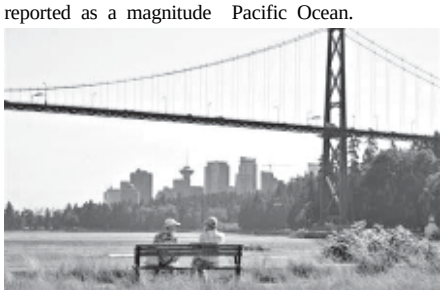

A couple sit on the waterfront facing the Lions Gate Bridge in West Vancouver, British Columbia, on 9 Sept, 2011.
INTERNET

Australian, Slovak feared dead in Indonesia plane crash

JAKARTA, 10 Sept—An Indonesian aircraft with one Australian and one Slovak pilot on board crashed in the country's remote Papua region on Friday, a company spokesman said, with both men feared dead.

Susi Air's small Cessna Grand Caravan aircraft crashed in Papua's Yahukimo District shortly after taking off from Wamena at around noon, carrying fuel and food to a remote area.

"Our aircraft has crashed in Papua. We suspect it was because of the bad weather," Susi Air spokesman Gunanjar told *AFP*.

Thick fog has prevented a search and rescue team reaching the pilots, whose condition is unknown, but Susi Air said there was little chance they had survived.

Officials said they hoped to reach the site on Saturday morning.

The sprawling Indonesian archipelago relies heavily on air transport and has a poor aviation safety record. Turbulent weather conditions in Papua have caused several accidents in recent years.

Internet

A Cessna Grand Caravan aircraft of Susi Air prepares to take off at Jayapura airport in Papua Province in June 2011.—INTERNET

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV BIENDONG TRADER VOYNO(1146)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV BIENDONG TRADER VOY NO (1146) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 11.9.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

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Meteorites delivered gold to Earth

BRISTOL, 10 Sept — Scientists have shown that the Earth's surface became enriched with precious metals by impacting meteorites. The Earth's crust and mantle has considerably more gold than expected from favoured models of planetary formation.

A study from the University of Bristol looked at some of the oldest rocks on Earth, demonstrating that gold was delivered by meteorites long after their formation. Their results are published in *Nature*.

While the Earth was forming, iron sank to the centre of the planet, forming the core. Any precious metals in the planetary mix would have gone with this iron and concentrated in the core, leaving the mantle devoid of elements such as gold, platinum, and osmium. But this is not what we observe. In fact, the silicate mantle has up to 1,000 times more gold than anticipated.

Several reasons for this enrichment were proposed in the past, including delivery by meteorites, although until now it has not been possible to prove. By measuring isotopes in rocks that are nearly four billion years old from Greenland, the team has managed to date the gold delivery, and to relate it to an event known as the "terminal bombardment".

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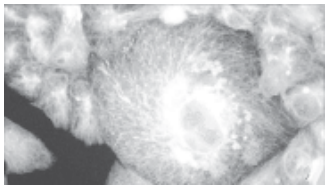
***A burst of meteorite impacts around 3.9 billion years ago delivered precious metals to Earth.*—INTERNET**

Cancer drug resistance clue found



Cancer cells can develop resistance to drugs

LONDON , 10 Sept — It may be possible to extend the usefulness of cancer drugs by preventing drug resistance in tumours, say researchers. A study, published in *Science Translational Medicine*, showed a chemical reaction went into overdrive as resistance developed. Scientists said drugs were already on the market which interfered with the process. Cancer Research UK said the field offered "tremendous optimism".

An international team of researchers were investigating the cancer drug cetuximab, which is used to treat colorectal cancer, head and neck cancers and some lung cancers. It targets a protein — epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) — which drives tumour growth. They said "all patients will ultimately develop resistance to cetuximab" but that little was known about how the resistance developed.

Experiments showed the cancerous cells acted like cars in a traffic jam — when one route was blocked, they found an alternative. In this case, the tumours replaced the EGFR route with one involving a different protein — ERBB2 — and continued to grow. Dr Pasi Janne, from the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston, said: "ERBB2 activates a critical signalling pathway that is not normally blocked by cetuximab, and in this way subverts cetuximab's function. "Because ERBB2 isn't affected by cetuximab, this is an easy way for cancers to become resistant to the drug."

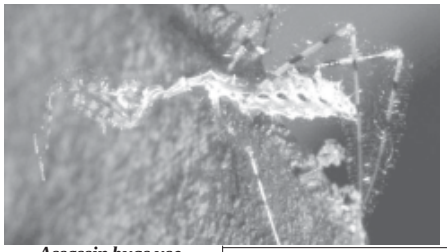
Internet

Assassin bug sneaks up on spiders

SYDNEY, 10 Sept — Assassin bugs hunt spiders on their webs by stalking or luring their victims before stabbing them with their long, sharp snouts. Researchers studying these aggressive arthropods have now found that they use noise to cover their tracks. The bugs wait for the wind to rustle the web, then take the opportunity to sneak up on their prey. The findings will be published in the journal *Animal Behaviour*.

The researchers, led by Dr Anne Wignall from Macquarie University in Sydney brought juvenile assassin bugs, Stenolemus bituberus, into their laboratory. They had spiders, of a species known to be preyed on by the bugs, build their webs in special wooden frames in the laboratory. The frames allowed the scientists to vibrate the webs to create background "noise" and see how the bugs reacted.

Internet



***Assassin bugs use the wind as a "smokescreen" to cover the vibrations of their footsteps.*— INTERNET**

Amitabh Bachchan to make Hollywood debut

LONDON, 10 Sept — Bollywood legend Amitabh Bachchan is making his Hollywood debut in a new film adaptation of The Great Gatsby, starring Leonardo DiCaprio, according to the producer Warner Brothers. Bachchan will play Meyer Wolfsheim, a Jewish man described as a gambler in F Scott Fitzgerald's classic novel. The $126m film directed by Baz Luhrmann has begun shooting in Australia.

The Great Gatsby is the story of 1920s high society in the US, the golden age of excess before the Depression.

Luhrmann said he was "personally thrilled that one of the world's greatest screen legends, Amitabh Bachchan, is joining the cast". "Over the years, Amitabh's films have made a tremendous impression on my life and work. His film Sholay was my introduction to Indian cinema," Luhrmann told Indo-Asian News Service in an email interview.—*Internet*

Bachchan is a Bollywood legend

Marine protection bids unveiled

LONDON, 10 Sept — Protection for key nature sites in UK seas has come a step closer with the unveiling of proposals to create over 100 Marine Conservation Zones (MCZs). The zones range from tiny stretches of coastline to large tracts of sea floor.

The proposals stem from the 2009 UK Marine Bill and cover seas abutting the English coast and waters around Wales more than 12 miles from the coast.

They will be assessed by an expert panel before the government makes its final decision, probably next year.

The panel will also have to finalise levels of protection in each zone, as the Marine Bill allows regulators a lot of flexibility in what to prohibit (such as fishing) for which periods of the year. If all proposals are approved, just over a quarter of English waters would end up under some kind of protection. Currently, the total is way under 1%.

But the zones are also supposed to be designed in such a way as to leave room for other activities such as industries and recreation.

Internet

***The zones encompass protection for important plants and animals on the sea bed.*—INTERNET**

Rarely seen Lowrys fetch £318,000

LONDON, 10 Sept — Four little-known works by LS Lowry, which were stored in a cupboard after their owners died, have been sold at auction for £318,000. The works had hung in the Harrogate home of an unnamed couple, who have both died within the last few years. Their children stored them away before selling them through Harrogate auctioneers Morphets.

The most valuable work to be sold was Man Posting a Letter, which was painted in 1965. It fetched £165,000. The couple bought the oil painting directly from the artist in 1967. The other paintings in the sale included 1965's Group of People, which went under the hammer for £64,000, and 1963's Man With a Cart, which sold for £55,000.

Family Group At The Seaside, a pencil sketch of downbeat children surrounding a long-haired man smoking a cigarette, raised £34,000. All four went to anonymous private buyers, Morphets said. The gallery held the first major exhibition of Lowry's work in 1938, after its then-director, Alexander Reid spotted some of the Lancashire artist's paintings waiting to be framed.—*Internet*

The couple bought Man Posting a Letter directly from Lowry

Woman arrested for stealing library books

Oceanside, Calif, police have arrested a woman for stealing about 2,000 library books. Police said Maria Natar, 44, was likely to resell the books she allegedly pilfered from Carlsbad and San Diego County libraries, CBS News reported Friday.

The investigation began when a Carlsbad library noticed a significant book loss between March and July.

A search of Natar's home found about 2,000 library books, mostly on cooking, crafts and animals, estimated to be worth at least $5,000.

"They were just everywhere, on shelves, in bins, stacks on the floor, just pretty much everywhere," said police spokeswoman Jodee Sasway. Police arrested Natar after she made a stop at a library to pick up some more books. "When she exited the library, the sensors went off, alerting the library people that not all the books were checked out," said Sasway. The woman was booked into the Vista, Calif, jail on stolen property charges.

A boy plays with an exhibit during the exhibition of dinosaurs in Belgrade, Serbia, on 9 Sept, 2011. A total of 52 dinosaur models, which are reconstructed according latest science discoveries of German Paleontology Exploring Centre, are displayed on the exhibition which lasts from 3 Sept to 1 Nov.

Winner bought lottery tickets on whim

Brian McCarthy had just gone to the ATM and figured $5 worth of Virginia lottery tickets would be a good investment — and he was right.

McCarthy, 25, an account manager for Pepsi and the son of Marriott President Robert McCarthy, won a $107 million Mega Millions lottery jackpot last month on one of the tickets he had purchased from the Giant grocery store in Herndon, Va.

McCarthy opted for the lump sum payment of $68 million and ABC reports he so far has taken a golfing trip to Ireland, gone to Alaska with his sister, bought a new car — a BMW M3 — and donated $59,000 to charity. He also quit his job.

"It's a surreal feeling," McCarthy told WJLA-TV, Washington. "It's something that you read about in the newspaper about somebody else."

News Album

Rat bites New York subway rider at station

New York transit workers said a rat bit a subway rider on the foot while she was waiting for a train at a downtown station. Transit sources told *the New York Daily News* the woman, who was described as in her 20s, was sitting on a bench at the Brooklyn Bridge-City Hall station at about 9:30 am Monday when the rodent ran up and bit into the flesh of her foot.

"She was pretty frantic and upset," one transit worker said. "You could actually see the bite."

Authorities said the woman was treated at New York Downtown Hospital and released.

Officials with Transport Workers Union Local 100 said rats are becoming more common at stations because of infrequent garbage collection and poor seals on trash storage rooms.

City transport officials declined to comment, *the Daily News* said.

Winslet poses as Elizabeth Taylor!

British actress Kate Winslet

LONDON, 10 Sept—British actress KateWinslet has been transformed into late actress Elizabeth Taylor for a new Wmagazine photoshoot.

The "Titanic" star poses as Taylor, who died in March, in a series of pictures shot by famed photographer Mario Testino for Wmagazine's Heroes issue, reports contactmusic.com. The spread sees Winslet morphed into Cleopatra, as she dons headscarves, turbans and gems. Winslet has also described how Taylor has inspired her career, insisting, "There was a real fearlessness in her.

Internet

Actress Megan Fox

No more vegan diet for Megan Fox

LONDON, 10 Sept—Actress Megan Fox is off vegan diet after loosing too much weight. "For a year and a half, until about four months ago, I followed a strict vegan diet based on raw fruits and vegetables, no bread, sugar and coffee. But I lost too much weight," contactmusic.com quoted Megan as saying.

"So now I eat a bit of everything. I train three times a week doing circuit training with my trainer Harley Pasternak," added the 25-year-old.—*Internet*

Modelling requires lot of hard work: Huntington-Whiteley

LONDON, 10 Sept—Model Rosie Huntington-Whiteley says it takes a lot of dedication and hard work to make it big as a model.

The 24-year-old beauty, who is one of the world's best models, insists it takes a lot of work to get to her position, reports femalefirst.co.uk.

"It takes hard work, determination and the ability to pick yourself up and try again when things go wrong. I advise you to get a reputable team around you. And always trust your gut feeling," she said.

Internet

Model Rosie Huntington-Whiteley

Hilton plans to become house DJ

Socialite Paris Hilton

LONDON, 10 Sept— Socialite Paris Hilton is reportedly taking training to become a top house music DJ.

Hilton, who is reportedly planning to appear onstage with DJ Deadmau5 at an upcoming gig, is aiming to become the "Queen of house music", because "no woman has ever taken over in that arena", reports tmz.com. The reality TV star has travelled the world learning from top DJs Afrojack and Deadmau5 to help her create her upcoming album.—*Internet*

Actress Reese Witherspoon

Reese forgives woman who hit her

LOS ANGELES, 10 Sept— Actress Reese Witherspoon will not take legal action against a 84-year-old woman whose car hit her. The 35-year-old star is not planning to press charges against the elderly woman, usmagazine.com reports.

The actress was hit while jogging in California Wednesday. She sustained a cut on her forehead.

Internet

Daniel Sturridge backheels Chelsea's second goal.

Sunderland 1-2 Chelsea

John Terry and Daniel Sturridge on target as Fernando Torres is benched

LONDON, 10 Sept—Juan Mata starred on his full debut as Chelsea cruised past a toothless Sunderland side despite a late scare.

John Terry's measured sidefoot shot gave the Blues the lead after the hosts failed to clear their lines when Mata's free-kick hit the outside of the post.

And Daniel Sturridge's sublime backheel finish when running through one on one with keeper Simon Mignolet made it 2-0.

Ji Dong-Won slotted home in injury time to give the Black Cats a glimmer of hope but Chelsea held on. It was a nervy final few seconds but even the most diehard Sunderland supporter would have struggled to argue a draw would have been a fair result. Sturridge's outrageous effort when confronted by the onrushing Mignolet was the stand-out moment in an impressive Blues performance. But Mata's influence was the key to their victory.—*Internet*

Stoke City 1-0 Liverpool

Controversial Jonathan Walters penalty delivers crushing blow to Kenny Dalglish's men

LONDON, 10 Sept—Stoke ended Liverpool's unbeaten start to the season thanks to Jonathan Walters' first-half penalty.

Walters went to ground in a tussle for the ball with Jamie Carragher and blasted home the resulting spot-kick.

Jonathan Walters celebrates his penalty against Liverpool.

Ryan Shawcross blocked a Luis Suarez effort with Uruguayan prominent in Liverpool's attempts to draw level. After the break Jordan Henderson should have equalised when he broke clear, while Suarez missed an open goal at the very end after an Asmir Begovic error.—*Internet*

Saturday match results

Arsenal	**1-0**	**Swansea**
Bolton	**0-5**	**Man Utd**
Everton	**2-2**	**Aston Villa**
Man City	**3-0**	**Wigan**
Stoke	**1-0**	**Liverpool**
Sunderland	**1-2**	**Chelsea**
Wolves	**0-2**	**Tottenham**

AC Milan need time to be stronger, says Allegri

MILAN, 10 Sept — AC Milan head coach Massimiliano Allegri put his team's under-par performance down to a lack of preparation time.

The Rossoneri scrambled back from 2-0 down after 22 minutes to a 2-2 draw on home turf in their Serie A opener.

"We hadn't played together in a long while, as the internationals had only just returned, so the squad only managed to prepare for this game yesterday ," said Allegri.

"For example, Mark Van Bommel is no longer a young man and only came back from international duty on Wednesday, but he had a good performance. I am also happy with Alberto Aquilani and Antonio Nocerino."

Xinhua

AC Milan head coach Massimiliano Allegri

Man City chief executive quits over 'cancer' email

MANCHESTER, 10 Sept — Manchester City chief executive Garry Cook resigned on Friday amid a storm over an email in which he appeared to mock the cancer-stricken mother of a player, a statement said.

Cook stepped down from his post with the Premier League club following an internal investigation into the circumstances surrounding an email sent to Dr Anthonia Onuoha, the agent and mother of City player Nedum Onuoha.

Cook had initially denied that he sent the email, claiming someone hacked into his email account, but in a statement following his resignation on Friday, Cook admitted to an "error of judgement". "I am privileged to have held my position at Manchester City Football Club and to have experienced the opportunities that it has presented," Cook said."

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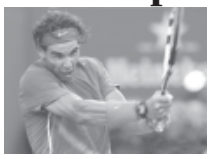
Manchester City chief executive Garry Cook

SPORTS

Top four men into US Open last four

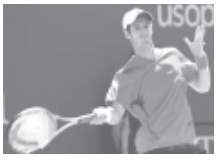


Rafael Nadal of Spain

NEW YORK, 10 Sept—Defending champion Rafael Nadal crushed 29-year-old Andy Roddick on Friday, setting up a quarterfinal clash against World No 4 Andy Murray as the Scottish eliminated another American John Isner.

Considering the other two players having advanced into last four on Thursday are top seed Novak Djokovic and third seed Swiss Roger Federer, it will be for the second time this year, the top four seeded men have advanced to the semifinals at a Grand Slam event as it also happened at the French Open.

The second-seeded Nadal met little resistance from the top American player as the Spaniard converted six of seven break points to beat Roddick, who won the 2003 Open title, 6-2, 6-1, 6-3 through a quick 1 hour, 53 minutes. Nadal will play fourth-seeded Murray on Saturday in the second semifinal after top-seeded Novak Djokovic meets third-seeded Roger Federer. Djokovic is 62-2 with nine titles in 2011, including at Wimbledon and the Australian Open. His first loss this season came when Federer ended Djokovic's 43-match winning streak in a thrilling French Open semifinal. His second came from the Cincinnati Masters final as the Serb retired trailing 6-4, 3-0 against Murray quoting shoulder injury.

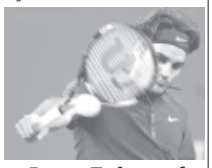


Andy Murray of Great Britain

Novak Djokovic of Serbia

Roddick never broke his opponent and committed 25 unforced errors, 12 more than the Spaniard.

The 25-year-old Nadal played more aggressive tennis, hitting 35 winners, overwhelming Roddick's 15. Murray is now only the seventh man in the Open era to reach at least the semifinals at all four Grand Slam tournaments in a single season. Three of the others are Federer, Nadal and Djokovic.— *Xinhua*



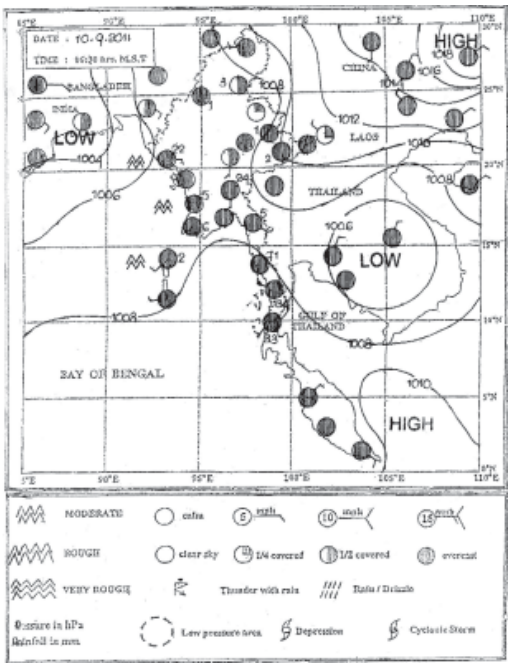
Roger Federer of Switzerland

Mourinho optimistic Real Madrid squad will need no new signings

MADRID, 10 Sept — Real Madrid coach Jose Mourinho this Friday said that he hoped he would not have to buy any further players when the transfer window opens again at the end of December. Real Madrid had a busy summer, bringing Nuri Sahon, Hamit Altintop, Javier Callejon, Rafael Varene and Fabio Coentrao into the club. However, Sahin will be out for a further two months with a troublesome knee problem, while Altintop is also sidelined following a back operation.

So far the only player to have made an impact in the first team is Coentrao, who has played in central midfield, but despite the relative disappointment of the signings, Mourinho insists that he is not expecting to return to the transfer market in the New Year.—*Xinhua*

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



Weather forecast for 11th September, 2011

Sr. No.	Regions/States	Temperature (°C/F) Maximum	Minimum	For Tomorrow Forecast	Percent
1	Kachin	34/93	26/97	Widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
2	Kayah	28/82	21/70	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
3	Kayin	30/36	22/72	Widespread rain or thundershowers (IH)	80%
4	Chin	20/68	14/57	Widespread rain or thundershowers (IH)	80%
5	Upper Sagaing	29/84	22/72	Widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
6	Lower Sagaing	36/97	26/97	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
7	Tanintharyi	30/86	23/73	Widespread rain or thundershowers (IH)	80%
8	Bago	30/86	22/72	Widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
9	Magway	35/95	24/75	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
10	Mandalay	35/95	27/81	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
11	Mon	30/86	24/75	Widespread rain or thundershowers (IH)	80%
12	Yangon	30/86	24/75	Widespread rain or thundershowers (IH)	80%
13	Rakhine	28/82	22/72	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
14	Southern Shan	26/79	18/64	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
15	Northern Shan	30/86	21/70	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
16	Eastern Shan	28/82	22/72	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
17	Ayeyawady	28/82	24/75	Widespread rain or thundershowers (IH)	80%
18	Neighbouring Nay Pyi Taw	32/90	24/75	Isolated rain or thundershowers	100%
19	Neighbouring Yangon	30/86	24/75	One or two rain or thundershowers	100%
20	Neighbouring Mandalay	35/95	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 scattered in Lower Sagaing and Mandalay Regions, Kayah State, fairly widespread in Upper Sagaing, Magway, Bago and Yangon Regions, Rakhine and Mon States and widespread in the remaining Regions and States with regionally heavyfalls in Tanintharyi Region and isolated heavy falls in and Mandalay and Yangon Regions, Rakhine State. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Airpot) (2.68) inches, Nay Pyi Taw (Tatkon) (1.02) inches, Myeik (5.40) inches, Coco Island (5.35) inches, Launglon (5.00) inches, Maungdaw (4.76) inches, Dawei (3.07) inches and Minkin (2.91) inches.
Bay Inference	Monsoon is moderate in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.
State of the Sea	Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at times Deltaic, Gulf of Mottama, off and along Mon-Tanintharyi Coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35) mph. Sea will be moderate elsewhere in Myanmar waters.
Outlook for subsequent two days	Continuations of increase of rain in Southern Myanmar areas.

Spurs want to sign Beckham after LA deal ends

LONDON, 10 Sept—Tottenham and Queens Park Rangers are interested in signing David Beckham when his Major League Soccer contract with the Los Angeles Galaxy expires at the end of the year. The 36-year-old midfielder trained with Tottenham during the last MLS offseason and manager Harry Redknapp is interested in signing him in January.

"I don't think you would ever say no to David Beckham. He would bring a lot to any club," Redknapp said Friday. "He came and trained with us last year. He was fantastic to have around the place as a player and as a person. "He was a top-class professional and he's the kind of lad you would like around the place. He is someone the young lads look up to and he is a great role model for anybody."

David Beckham

Although Beckham trained with Spurs in January, the club failed to agree a loan deal for the former England captain. And talks are yet to start between Spurs and Beckham's representatives ahead of the MLS season ending in November. —*Internet*

Condolence
Captain Thein Oo Myint
Aged (60)yrs
(Lizstar Enterprise Co Ltd)

Captain Thein Oo Myint, husband of Daw Thet Sandar(a) Rosie (E.e. of International Cultural and charity Group-ICCG) had passed away on 8-9-2011.

Please accept our condolence on your husband's death.

President and Ee International Cultural and Charity Group (IccG)

Sunday, 11 September
View on today

7:00 am
1. Paritta By Hilly Region Missionary 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

8:15 am
7. Health Programme

8:20 am
8. (38) Phyar Mingalar

8:25 am
9. Selected Songs for 18th Myanmar Traditional Performing Arts Competitions (2011) (Oldies & Mono Classical) (Basic Education) (Level Women)

8:40 am
10. International News

8:45 am
11. Musical Programme

11:00 am
1. Martial Song

11:10 am
2. Musical Programme

11:20 am
3. Round Up of the Week's International News

11:30 am
4. TV Drama Series

12:30 pm
5. Myanmar Video Feature

1:50 pm
6. Documentary

2:00 pm
7. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions

2:30 pm
8. One Village & One Product

2:50 pm
9. International News

4:00 pm
1. Martial Song

4:10 pm
2. Musical Programme

4:20 pm
3. Metta Paritta (Dhammasekka Wut Association, Public Works, Ministry of Construction)

4:30 pm
4. Songs of National Races

4:40 pm
5. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures) -First Year (Botany)

5:00 pm
6. Songs for Upholding National Spirit

5:10 pm
7. Selected Songs for 18th Myanmar Traditional Performing Arts Competitions (2011) (Oldies & Mono Classical) (Basic Education) (Level Women)

5:25 pm
8. Sing & Enjoy

6:00 pm
9. Evening News

6:15 pm
10. Weather Report

6:20 pm
11. Cartoon Series

6:40 pm
12. Tamyethnar Takwetsar

7:00 pm
13. TV Drama Series

8:00 pm
14. News
15. International News
16. Weather Report
17. 18th Myanmar Traditional Performing Arts Competitions (2011) Interview (Music)
18. Cartoon Series
19. TV Drama Series

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL
Programme Schedule
(11-9-2011) (Sunday)

Transmissions		Times
Local	-	**(09:00am ~ 11:00am)MST**
Overseas Transmission	-	**(11-9-11 09:30 am ~ 12-9-11 09:30 am) MST**

Local Transmission
* Opening
* News
* Me N My Travel Pyay (Part-2) Shwe San Taw Pagoda
* News
* Beyond the Flowers
* News
* Ancestor And Successors
* Music Gallery
* News
* Images Depicted with Gold Embroidery

Overseas Transmission
* Opening
* News
* Me N My Travel Pyay (Part-2) Shwe San Taw Pagoda
* News
* Easily cooked & Tasty Dishes "Sour fish soup with Drumstick"
* Beyond the Flowers
* News
* Ancestor And Successors
* Music Gallery
* News
* MI people's Celebrities "Sia Sia, who has looked his heart"
* Images Depicted with Gold Embroidery
* News
* Modernized Umbrellas evolved from the Yesteryear
* Around Bagan by Pony Cart (Ananda Temple)
* News
* Myanma Traditional Marionette Theatre (Part-7)
* Smogless Sky, Enchanting Smiles (Mandalay, U Pein Bridge)
* News
* VCD Centre
* Memorable Visit to Inle Lake & Unforgettable Stay at Hupin Hotel
* News
* Kyeik Paw Law History
* Myanmar Movies "Due to this True Hatred"

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Garavo ca; reverence; this is the way to auspiciousness

Chairman of Myanmar National Sports Committee Union Minister for Sports visits training camps

Chairman of MNSC Union Minister for Sports U Tint Hsan observes training of athletes.
MNA

YANGON, 10 Sept—Chairman of Myanmar National Sports Committee Union Minister for Sports U Tint Hsan arrived at training hall of National Swimming Pool on U Wisara Road here this morning and encouraged swimming, table tennis and judo athletes in training.

He called for undergoing training with right techniques and full of enthusiasm and strictly sticking to rules with the aim to win medals for the State as Indonesia SEA Games XXVI is drawing nearer. The Union minister presented cash assistances to athletes.

At training camp of Myanmar Wushu Federation at Padoma Sports Ground in Sangyoung Township and Kyaikkasan Archery training camp in Tamway Township, he inspected the training, accomodation, nourishment and fitness of the athletes and presented cash assistances to athletes. The Union Minister, together with Yangon Region Chief Minister U Myint Swe, the president of Myanmar Football Federation and officials, showed up the football match of ASEAN U-19

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Smooth transportation on Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung-Bagan Highway

Article: *Kayan Soe Myint;*
Photos: *Kyaw Moe Hlaing*

I had an opportunity to make a pilgrimage of Bagan for paying homage to pagodas.

I have much experience on the journey along Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung Road that was very poor in transportation in the past.

Now, there is all difference from the past events. According to the agreement signed between Public Works of the Ministry of Construction and Myat Noe Thu Construction Company, the 93 miles and six furlongs long Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung-NyaungU-Bagan is being constructed and upgraded through Build, Operate & Transfer system. As such, the completed section of the road is wide and smooth.

On 1 April 2008, Public Works and Myat Noe Thu Construction Company commenced maintenance works of the road through BOT System. During the maintenance period, the company submitted the proposal to Myanmar Investment Commission for seeking the permit. On 26 November 2009, the company received permit.

After receiving the permit, Public Works and Myat Noe Thu Construction Company cancelled the agreement signed on 1 April 2008 and they signed another contract No. 2010-11/BOT/11) on 25 July 2010.

At a time when the company received the responsibility of building the 60 miles and two furlongs long Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung section, there were many large pot-holes on the road section. At that time, the road section had three parts, the first one of them was 32 miles long part with 12 feet wide, the second one was 25 miles and two furlongs long with 18 feet wide and the last one was three miles with 24 feet wide.

Heavy machinery at works to upgrade Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung-Bagan Road.

While maintaining the surface of the road, the company is upgrading the whole road to be 24 feet wide asphalt facility with withstanding of 60-ton loads in line with the prescription of the contract.

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Suspect Aik Sat seen together with seized arms, bullets and related items.
MNA

Stimulant tablets, drug, chemicals, machines used for making drugs, small arms seized, four arrested in Tachilek

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept — Tachilek Special Anti-Drug Squad seized drug and machines and related parts and chemicals used for producing stimulant tablets and drugs including over 100,000 stimulant tablets, Ice, caffeine powder, six small arms and ammunition and four culprits who involved in the case in Tachilek on 8 September.

At the Wailaylan check-point in Tachilek around 9.30am on 8 September, the special anti-drug squad searched a Nissan 10-wheeled truck driven by Aung Yin accompanied by Sai Phu en-route from Wonpon Village and found orange-coloured 140,600 stimulant tablets bearing WY letters and also

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