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Hluttaw representatives led by Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint leave for Cambodia

YANGON, 18 Sept—A 14-member Hluttaw representatives led by Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint left here by air this morning to attend the 32nd ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly to be held in Phnom Penh of Cambodia.

Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint and party were seen off at Yangon International Airport by Deputy Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Mya Nyein, Chief Minister of Yangon Region U Myint Swe, Speaker of Yangon Region Hluttaw U Sein Tin Win, Deputy Speaker U Tin Aung, Director-General U Myint Thein of Hluttaw Office, Cambodian Ambassador to the Repubic of the Union of Myanmar Mr Sieng Bunvuth and officials.—*MNA*

Hluttaw representatives led by Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint being seen off at Yangon International Airport by Deputy Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Mya Nyein, Chief Minister of Yangon Region U Myint Swe, before their departure for Cambodia to attend the 32nd ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly, at Yangon International Airport.—MNA

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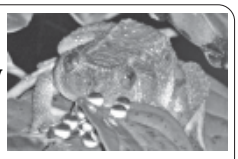

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Flood Bulletin

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Sept—According to the 12:30 hr MST observation today, the water level of Sittoung River at Toungoo (663) cm has exceeded by (63)cm (about 2.1 feet) above its danger level. It may remain above its danger level (600) cm during the next (72) hours commencing this noon, said the Department of Meteorology and Hydrology.—*MNA*

Earthquake News

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Sept—A strong earthquake of magnitude (6.8) Richter Scale with its epicenter outside Myanmar (Sikkim, India) about (635) miles Northwest of Mandalay seismological observatory was recorded at (19) hrs (13)min (50) sec MST today according to the Department of Meteorology and Hydrology.—*MNA*

PERSPECTIVES

Monday, 19 September, 2011

Boost production, maintain quality

Every global nation has put a special focus on socio-economic development. We need to keep abreast of other world countries. It is high time to strive for modernization of the nation.

Projects of respective sectors have picked up the pace all over the nation. Development of the nation is founded on smooth road transportation. Swift transportation will contribute towards increase in commodity trade, thus ensuring economic development.

Education, health and living standards will continue to develop, following economic slump. For instance, nine bridges, constructed over Ayeyawady River, are accelerating the commodity flow. Five more Ayeyawady River-spanning bridges are under construction. Upon completion, they will bring about further development.

In bridging rivers, the quality is to be monitored with care as the projects are huge. The quality of resistance to natural disasters such as earthquakes needs guarantee when the bridges are completed.

Other economic sectors are to be developed in industrializing the nation. As the country is practicing market economy, increasing domestic production and local market are not enough. It is needed to succeed in penetrating both local and global markets.

Quality, rather than quantity, is to be cared in producing goods targeted for foreign markets. From production and project implementation to nation-building tasks, personnel concerned are to work heart and soul to deliver good quality.

Union A & I Minister conducts sugarcane growers around high-yielding sugarcane plantations

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Sept—Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing met 60 sugarcane growers from Magway, Taungdwingyi, and Aunglan townships and five in-charges of sugarcane plantations of Duyingabo Sugar Mill and Kanhla Sugar Mill at new 4-acre educational farming high-yielding sugarcane plantation in Nyaungbingyisu 500-acre pioneer mechanized farmland in Pobbathiri Township here this morning and called for change to high-yielding quality strains, application of scientific cultivation methods and appropriate use of input such as fertilizer and pesticides.

The observer farmers then visited high-yielding educational farming sugarcane plantations that can produce a yield of 60-ton per acre and studied process of scientific cultivation methods.

Magway Region possesses sugarcane cultivation acreage of 13783 acres in total. The price of sugarcane has been doubled from K 15000 for a ton and sugarcane strains that can yield over 50 tons per acre has been introduced in place of old strains that can yield 20 tons per acre, which is expected to increase three times the incomes of sugarcane growers.—*MNA*

***Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing meets sugarcane growers at Nyaungbingyisu 500-acre pioneer mechanized farmland in Pobbathiri Township.*—MNA**

Ambassador U Tin Oo presents credentials to President of Presidium of Supreme People's Assembly of DPRK

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Sept—U Tin Oo, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, presented his Credentials to His Excellency Mr. Kim Yong Nam, President of the Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, on 7 September 2011 in Pyongyang.—*MNA*

First Nay Pyi Taw Council Chairman's Shield Football Tournament-2011 kicks off

***Union Minister at President Office Nay Pyi Taw Council Chairman U Thein Nyunt enjoys first match between Pyinmana Township and Tatkon Township in first Nay Pyi Taw Council Chairman's Shield Football Tournament-2011.*—MNA**

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Sept—The first Nay Pyi Taw Council Chairman's Shield Football Tournament-2011 was opened at Paunglaung Sports Ground in Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana this afternoon in the presence of Union Minister at President Office Nay Pyi Taw Council Chairman U Thein Nyunt.

It was attended by Union Minister for Hotels and Tourism and for Sports U Tint Hsan, Pyithu Hluttaw International Relations Committee Chairman U Hla Myint Oo, Nay Pyi Taw Council members, officials concerned from Nay Pyi Taw Council Area and townselders and football fans.

The participating teams took positions at designated places in the sports ground, and the Union Minister delivered an address, and opened the tournament.

The first match between Pyinmana Township and Tatkon Township was enjoyed.

The participant teams are Tatkon, Zeyathiri, Pyinmana, Lewe, Ottarathiri, Pobbathiri, Zabuthiri and Dekkhinathiri Townships in Nay Pyi Taw Council Area. The tournament will last up to 5 October.

MNA

Computer Course for Office Works concludes

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Sept—The Ministry of Electric Power No. 2 is striving for controlling national grid through ICT system in the future; thus, computer application will take a key role in future plans of the ministry; and trainees are to continue their studies to be able to operate future power system, said Deputy Minister for Electric Power No. 2 U Aung Than Oo at the concluding ceremony of Computer Course No 3/ 2011 for Office Works of the ministry on 16 September.

The deputy minister presented awards to outstanding trainees and certificates to trainee leader.

Altogether 30 trainees attended 6-week course.

MNA

***Director-General U Myo Hlaing of Education and Training Department of Border Affairs Ministry speaking at concluding of women's basic domestic science course at Samataung Maha Parahita Youth Development Home in Lewe Township.*—MNA**

18 insurgents killed in airstrike in E Afghanistan

PARUN, 18 Sept—A total of 18 insurgents were killed when warplanes of NATO-led forces pounded Taleban hideouts in Nuristan Province, some 180 kilometres east of the capital city of Kabul, provincial police Chief Zahid Nuristani said on Saturday.

"Based on intelligence reports indicating insurgents' activities, international forces carried out an airstrike in Logal area of Bargi Matal district overnight, leaving 18 armed insurgents dead," Nuristani told *Xinhua.*

He said there were no reports of civilian casualties in the remote area, adding at least 15 more insurgents were also injured in the attack that took place at around 00:30 a.m. local time Saturday.

The mountainous Nuristan and neighbouring Kunar Province has been regarded as Taleban hotbed in the eastern part of the insurgency-hit country. The purported Taleban spokesman, Zabihullah Mujahid in talks with local media via cell phone from undisclosed location confirmed that 16 of insurgent fighters were killed in Bargi Matal district but claimed his fighters have also killed over a dozen Afghan and NATO-led forces.

The insurgent group have stepped up their attacks on Afghan and NATO-led troops since a spring rebel offensive was launched in May this year in the war-ravaged country.—*MNA/Xinhua*

The site of a road accident is seen in Songpan County, southwest China's Sichuan Province, on 17 Sept, 2011. Seven people were killed while 30 others were injured after the tourist bus they boarded overturned on a road in the mountainous region Saturday.
XINHUA

Militants attack Pakistani checkpoint, kill three

PESHAWAR, 18 Sept—A government official says militants have attacked a security checkpoint in north-western Pakistan, killing a policeman and two members of an anti-Taleban militia.

Farooq Khan says the attack took place late Saturday night in the Aka Khel area of the Khyber tribal region.

Pakistani policemen check a vehicle in southwest Pakistan's Quetta, on 17 Sept, 2011. Security threat level has been raised after blast in Lower Dir.
XINHUA

The checkpoint is located on a key route that NATO uses to transport supplies to forces in neighbouring Afghanistan.

Khan said on Sunday that security forces and local tribesmen fought back against the militants, killing 10 of them. Khan is a local administrator in the area.

No group has claimed responsibility for the attack. But the Pakistani Taleban have staged frequent attacks against security forces and tribesmen who have opposed them.—*Internet*

IED kills nine in north Afghanistan

KABUL, 18 Sept—Nine people were killed in an IED (Improvised Explosive Device) attack in Farayb Province in north Afghanistan, a statement from NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) issued late Saturday night said.

According to the statement, the IED attack in Qhormach District of the Frayab Province, some 425 km northwest of Afghan capital Kabul, killed nine people and wounded another on Saturday. Five children were among the dead.

"Initial reports indicate a single IED was detonated," said the statement.

Afghan President Karzai has condemned the attack. Gen John R Allen, commander of ISAF joined said, "The militants' violent attack on civilians demonstrates their complete disregard for the Afghan people and the value of human life. We mourn with our Afghan partners, and we are outraged over this tragic crime."

So far, Afghan Taleban, which has launched massive IED attack against ISAF and Afghan national security force, have not made any comment on the event.—*MNAXinhua*

Two killed, four injured in Iraq's violence

BAGHDAD, 18 Sept—A policeman and a civilian were killed and four others were injured in separate attacks west of Baghdad on Saturday, police said.

Unidentified gun-men attacked a police checkpoint with their assault rifles on a main road near the city of Haditha, some 200 km west of Baghdad, killing a policeman and wounding three others, a source from Anbar's provincial operations command told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity.

In a separate incident, a civilian was killed and his brother was wounded when a sticky bomb attached to their car detonated in Abu Ghraib area, some 20 km west of Baghdad, a local police source said.—*Xinhua*

Small blast at hospital near Taj Mahal injures six

NEW DELHI, 18 Sept—A small, crude bomb injured six people Saturday night at a private hospital in the Indian City of Agra near the famed Taj Mahal, police said.

They said the home-made bomb shattered windows and sent glass flying in the reception area of the Jai hospital, about 2 miles (3 kilometers) from the 17th century monument.

Police cordoned off the area and were investigating, but said it was too early to say if terrorists or a criminal gang might be involved.

Police inspector PK Tiwari said six people were being treated for minor injuries.

India has ramped up security since on 7 Sept, when a briefcase bomb killed 12 people outside a New Delhi courthouse.

Internet

Security personnel inspect the site of an explosion at a private hospital in Agra, India, on 17 Sept, 2011.
INTERNET

One student killed, nine injured as rocket hits school in Afghan

PUL-E-ALAM (Afghanistan), 18 Sept—One student was killed and nine others injured when a rocked hit a school in Afghanistan's Logar province, some 60 km south of capital city of Kabul, an official said on Sunday.

"A group of armed men attacked a logistic convoy of NATO-led forces in vicinity of provincial capital Pul-e-Alam at about 10:00 am local time Sunday triggering a gun fight but a rocket shot by insurgents hit a primary school named Butkhak near the site as a result a student was killed and nine students injured," Head of provincial education department, Abdul Latif Jafar told *Xinhua*.

The number of death could rise as seven of the wounded, who were shifted to a provincial capital hospital, were in critical conditions, Jafar said, adding a teacher was also injured in the incident.

Militancy has been rampant since May this year when Taleban militants announced to launch spring offensive in the war-battered Afghanistan.

The Taleban outfit has also warned the civilians to stay away from official gatherings, military convoys and centers regarded as the legitimate targets by militants.

MNA/Xinhua

New spaghetti a source of fiber

Health

BOLOGNA, 18 Sept—A new pasta made with barley may soon be labeled a "good source of dietary fiber" and "may reduce the heart disease risk," researchers in Italy and Spain say.

Vito Verardo of the University of Bologna in Italy, Ana Maria Gomez-Caravaca of the University of Granada in Spain and colleagues explain that barley, a grain that is an excellent source of fiber and antioxidants, is gaining interest as an ingredient in so-called "functional foods" — a genre of foods that are supplemented with healthful additives.

To determine whether barley could make a new functional spaghetti by providing fiber and antioxidants, the researchers developed a barley flour, that contains the most nutritious part of the grain and used it to make pasta.

The researchers find that the barley spaghetti has more fiber and more antioxidant activity than traditional semolina-based spaghetti. Adding gluten to barley flour improves the cooking quality of the pasta, they say, but lowers its antioxidant activity.

Internet

Starbucks coffee K-Cup Portion Packs will be available in US stores this November.
INTERNET

Honda eyeing first Russian car plant

Business

TOKYO, 18 Sept—Honda Motor <7267.T> plans to set up its first assembly plant in Russia, the *Nikkei* business daily reported on Sunday, as Japan's No3 automaker looks to lift its competitiveness in the fast-growing auto market.

The company is looking to invest several billion yen (tens of millions of dollars) to produce 30,000 to 50,000 cars annually, t*he Nikkei* said, adding Honda has submitted the plans to the Russian government and had started talks with officials.

Honda is consulting officials on the location of the assembly plant, which will use components imported from its global facilities, and the Russian Far East is seen as one candidate, *the Nikkei* said.

A Honda spokesman declined to comment on the report.

General Motors , Renault , and a host of other top players have already announced plans to ramp up production in Russia in exchange for lower import tariffs for parts.

***This file photo shows assembly line at a Honda Motor plant in Indiana, US Honda has decided to build its first factory in Russia, becoming the last of the five major Japanese automakers to do so, according to a report.—*INTERNET**

Honda, which sold about 18,000 cars in Russia last year, has been selling its cars with tariffs of about 50 percent, making them more expensive than automobiles produced by rivals locally.

Russia's vehicles market is expected to double sales to about 4 million units a year by mid-decade.—*Internet*

Orders up for luxury fleets

Business

DETROIT, 18 Sept—US businesses owners that cater to wealthy customers said new orders are coming in and some of those orders are larger than ever.

Dunkin Aviation of Battle Creek, Mich, and Lincoln, Neb, a specialist in plane maintenance and a rebuilder of plane interiors, said business got to the point in 2009 where staff was doing busy work, *The Detroit News* reported on Saturday.

For a while customers placed orders for necessities, such as new carpeting when the old one was wearing out.

But orders for interior cabin overhauls worth $1 million are increasing, said company spokeswoman Lori Johnson.

Revenue has jumped 17.6 percent for the first eight months of the year from 2009 to 2011, she said. Michigan boat builder Sunsation Boats went through similar ups and downs.

The company built 70 boats in 2006. After that "almost no sales a year," said Chief Financial Officer Joe Schaldenbrand.—*Internet*

TV hurts parent-child communication

Health

COLUMBUS, 18 Sept—Reading books increases maternal communication beyond a level required for reading, while watching TV decreases maternal communication, US researchers found.

Amy Nathanson and Eric Rasmussen from Ohio State University studied maternal responsiveness and mother-child interactions of 73 mother-child pairs as they read together, played with toys together and watched TV together.

In the study, the average mother was married, in their early 30s, had a bachelor's degree and half were not employed. The children were ages 16 months to 6 years.

The pairs were randomly assigned to one of the three activities for 10 minutes. A researcher then offered the pair all three activities and left them for a further 20 minutes.

The study, published in Human Communication Research, found when reading a book with their children mothers used a more active communication style, bringing the child into contact with words they may not hear in everyday speech, thereby improving their vocabulary and grammatical knowledge, while watching TV resulted in significantly fewer descriptions and positive responses than mothers playing with toys.

Internet

Mall group predicts holiday spending up 3 percent

Business

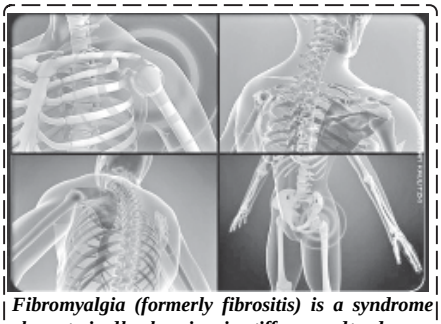
NEW YORK, 18 Sept—The International Council of Shopping Centres said it expects holiday sales to increase 3 percent this year. That's a slower pace than the 4.1 percent gain in 2010 as many shoppers are expected to remain worried about the economy. The trade group for shopping malls said Friday that November-December spending should reach $250.2 billion, the highest since the 2007 peak, when spending totaled $251.7 billion.

The prediction would mark the second consecutive increase for the holiday shopping period following two straight seasons of revenue declines in 2008 and 2009, according to the trade group's measure.

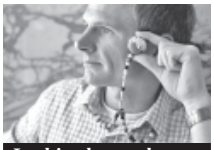
The sales forecast excludes spending at restaurants, grocers, auto dealers and gas stations.

The ICSC predicted another measure of sales, revenue at stores open at least a year, will rise 3.5 percent for the period. That would be slightly lower than the 3.8 percent pace in 2010.

The barometer is a key indicator of a retailer's health because it excludes stores that opened or closed during the year.—*Internet*



***Fibromyalgia (formerly fibrositis) is a syndrome characterized by chronic pain, stiffness, and tenderness of muscles, tendons, and joints without detectable inflammation. It is also characterized by restless sleep, awakening tired, fatigue, anxiety, depression, and disturbances in bowel function.—*INTERNET**



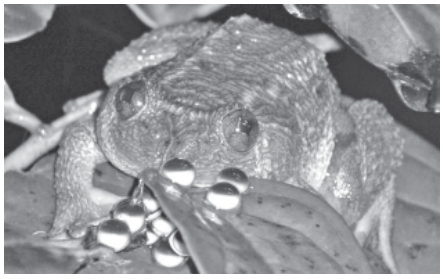
In this photo taken on 7 Sept, 2011, designer Andrew Carr poses for photographs with one of his hearing-aid prototypes for sub-Saharan Africa at the Institution of Mechanical Engineers in London. A bit of creativity never hurts, especially when it comes to solving health problems in developing countries. Instead of the usual donated medicines and health equipment, some experts are inventing new products for the poor, like a solar-powered hearing aid or a motorcycle ambulance.
INTERNET

Scientists discover 12 new frog species in India

Science

NEW DELHI, 18 Sept— Years of combing tropical mountain forests, shining flashlights under rocks and listening for croaks in the night have paid off for a team of Indian scientists that has discovered 12 new frog species plus three others thought to have been extinct. It's a find the team hopes will bring attention to India's amphibians and their role in gauging the health of the environment.

Many of the newly found frogs in India are rare and are living in just a single area, so they will need rigorous habitat protection, Biju told *The Associated Press* on Saturday.



In this July 2010 photo released by Systematics Lab, Delhi University, a jog night frog sits in the forests of the Western Ghats in Karnataka, India.—INTERNET

Biju said he and his student researchers had to sit in dark, damp forests listening for frog sounds and shining flashlights under rocks and across riverbeds. They confirmed the new species by description as well as genetics.

The 12 new species include the meowing night frog, whose croak sounds more like a cat's call, the jog night frog, unique in that both the males and females watch over the eggs, and the Wayanad night frog, which grows to about the size of a baseball or cricket ball. "It's almost like a monster in the forest floor, a huge animal for a frog, leaping from one rock to another," Biju said.

Three other species were rediscovered, including the Coorg night frog described 91 years ago, after scientists "had completely ignored these animals, thinking they were lost."

The discoveries — published in the latest issue of international taxonomy journal *Zootaxa* — bring the known number of frogs in India to 336.

Internet

Promoters dressed as video game characters walk past an advertisement board of Sony's PlayStation Vita handheld gaming device at Tokyo Game Show in Chiba, east of Tokyo, 15 September, 2011.—INTERNET

Yahoo! freshens up its search results with a site redesign

Tech

WASHINGTON, 18 Sept—Following in the footsteps of search giant Google, Yahoo! has decided to give its search results pages a makeover.

Yahoo!'s new design is influenced by clean and simple aesthetics. The refined layouts attempt to remove the design clutter and assimilate the company's entire web, multimedia and ertical search results pages under the one unified search experience.

"At Yahoo!, we're always looking for ways to make the Yahoo! Search experience even more organized and streamlined while serving the most relevant content," posted Yahoo! Search team members Paul Ko, Girish Ananthakrishnan and Caroline Tsay on the Yahoo! Search Blog.

The changes are apparent throughout Yahoo!'s Web, Images, Video, News, Blogs, Finance and Sports search results pages.

New features include browser-inspired tabs that automatically appear below the Search box to provide users with easy-to—access links to other vertical search results pages and Left Filters that help users sort results by time, sources, content type or related searches.

Yahoo! adopts a cleaner and simplistic look and feel that helps you find what is most important to you.—INTERNET

There have been upgrades to Yahoo!'s Image search too with "Latest" pictures (which provide an indication of how long ago each image was published), more images sourced from Facebook, and better recommendations at the end of galleries.

On 14 September Microsoft rolled out a new personalized search feature for US users in its Bing search engine called Adaptive Search.

"Every time you search on Bing, the information provided helps Bing understand what you're trying to do. The more you search, the more Bing can learn – and use that information to adapt the experience so you can spend less time searching and accomplish what you set out to do," explained Microsoft.

Google recently rolled out new streamlined designs for a number of its popular products including Docs, Calendar, Gmail and Blogger.

Internet

Laser can detect roadside explosives

Tech

EAST LANSING, 18 Sept —Researchers at Michigan State University say they've devised a laser that can detect roadside bombs, the biggest threat to US troops in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The laser, with about the same output as a simple presentation pointer, has the sensitivity and selectivity to scan large areas and detect improvised explosive devices that account for around 60 percent of coalition soldiers' deaths, a university release said Friday.

The laser, developed by chemistry Professor Marcos Dantus and MSU colleagues, combines short pulses that cause molecules in the explosives to vibrate, as well as long pulses that are used to "listen" and identify the different vibrations.

Every kind of molecule has different vibrational frequencies that uniquely identify the substance, much like a fingerprint, the researchers said.

"The laser and the method we've developed were originally intended for microscopes, but we were able to adapt and broaden its use to demonstrate its effectiveness for standoff detection of explosives," Dantus said.

The research is being funded in part by the Department of Homeland Security.

Internet

Photo365 iPhone app a quick way to document your day

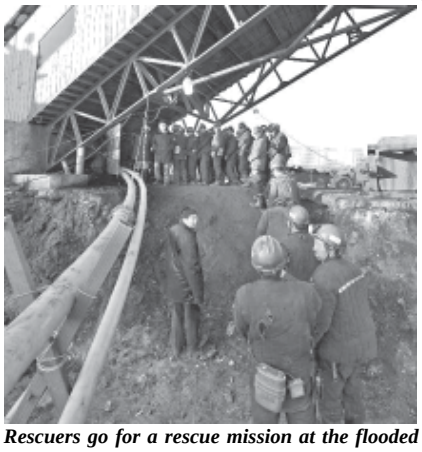
Tech

WASHINGTON, 18 sept—If a picture's worth a thousand words, using Photo365 for a year would make you positively Dickensian. The quick photo-sharing app takes all the fuss and work out of blogging about your day by providing you with a handy calendar where you can take a photo a day and then upload your photo to Facebook/ Twitter/Flickr/email quickly and easily.

The design of the app isn't much to look at, but that's one of its strengths. There's very little that gets in the way of actually taking and uploading your photos. The only button outside of the ones that let you post your photo to various social networks is one that lets you set a daily reminder to take your photo. You don't have to take photos within the app for them to be uploadable, either. While you're more than welcome to take a fresh photo from within the app, you can also use photos stored in your camera roll.

The only hitch in Photo 365's step is that for an app that interacts so freely with other social networks, it's oddly closed off. There's no photo stream or any way to see other people's Photo365 calendars, so you're left taking photos for yourself until you upload them for your friends to see on Facebook or Twitter. Still, if you want an interface that provides a bit of direction to your aimless photography-obsessed mind, Photo365 might be a good fit. It's simple, but regimented, which should provide free spirits who need a little direction just the inspiration they're looking for.—*Internet*

A Blackberry mobile device, made by Research in Motion (RIM), is seen on a shelf in Toronto, 13 July, 2010.—INTERNET



***Rescuers go for a rescue mission at the flooded Yuanbaowan coal mine in Shanyin County, north China's Shanxi Province, on 17 Spet, 2011. The death toll from Friday's coal mine flooding rose to ten on Saturday. A preliminary investigation showed that 21 miners were working in the coal mine when the flooding occurred at 2:37 pm (0637 GMT) on 16 Sept. Ten of them managed to escape while 11 others were trapped underground.—*XINHUA**

Chavez heads to Cuba saying he's beating cancer

CARACAS, 18 Sept—Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez said he was heading back to Cuba on Saturday for a fourth phase of chemotherapy that he expects to be his last round of treatment.

Supporters greeted Chavez with songs and a prayer outside the presidential palace as he prepared to leave for Cuba along with Bolivian President Evo Morales, who was accompanying him to the island. Chavez told the crowd that he is confident he is overcoming the illness.

"Chavez's cancer is now part of this history," he told supporters, standing at the doors of the presidential palace.

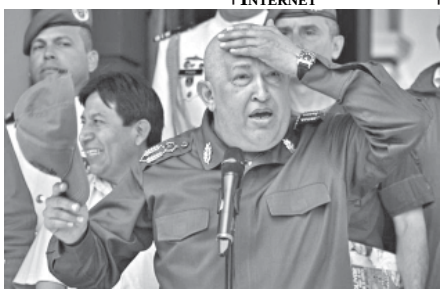
Wearing the red beret and fatigues from his years as an army paratroop commander, Chavez waved to the crowd before getting into a car to head to the airport.

As for his chemotherapy, Chavez said it would "most probably be the last" round of treatment. "Then we turn the page, goodbye to the threat of cancer, and then on to life," Chavez said.

Chavez said he expected to be back from Cuba within a week.

He underwent surgery in Cuba in June to remove a tumour from his pelvic region. —*Internet*

***Venezuela's President Hugo Chavez takes his cap off during a welcoming ceremony for Bolivia's President Evo Morales at the Miraflores presidential palace in Caracas, Venezuela, on 17 Sept, 2011.* INTERNET**



Kansas airport fake bomb suspect ordered held in jail

KANSAS CITY, 18 Sept—A man who tried to board a Southwest Airlines flight with materials that resembled bomb parts was ordered held without bond on Friday by a federal judge, authorities said.

Anthony Falco Jr, 47, faces two felony counts alleging he gave false and misleading statements about the contents of his carry-on bag so he could board the airplane on Sunday, which was the 10th anniversary of the 11 September terrorist attacks.

Packages in the bag were wrapped and taped and contained wires, batteries and parts of cell phones and cameras that can simulate an improvised explosive device, FBI agent John Tucker testified at Falco's detention hearing on Thursday.

Falco warned authourities against opening the packages, saying they would have "a very bad day" if they did so, Tucker said in an affidavit.

Tucker said that Falco also appeared to mouth the words, "Father God, America is going to go down."

Falco's public defender, Laine Cardarella, said in court that Falco was alluding to a lawsuit, not a bomb; that he never claimed to have a bomb; and that none of the materials in his bag were illegal to have on a plane. *Internet*

Thailand burns $80m of illegal drugs

BANGKOK, 18 Sept—Thailand incinerated about $80 million worth of drugs, mainly methamphetamine, from over 130,000 seizures across the country as officials warned there were an increasing number of very young users.

Prime Minister Yingluck Shinawatra presided over the drugs burning ceremony at an industrial estate in Ayutthaya, near Bangkok that destroyed 821 kilograms (nearly a ton) of drugs, including about seven million tablets of methamphetamine, also known as yaba. Quantities of heroin, opium, cocaine, marijuana and ecstasy were also set alight in high temperature furnaces that authorities said would prevent drug fumes from rising into the air.

More than 93,000 people have been treated in rehabilitation centres since October 2010, according to the public health ministry.

Around 12,000 of them were between the ages of seven and 17, a number which it said had increased sharply in recent years. Thailand, along with other countries in the region, has seen a marked increase in seizures of methamphetamine.—*Internet*

***Thai police guard bags of seized methamphetamine pills before they are incinerated in Ayutthaya.* INTERNET**

Airport security still evolving a decade after 11 Sept attacks

BOSTON, 18 Sept—Despite impressive changes to airport security in the decade since the 11 September attacks, gaps remain in securing the nation's airports, keeping passengers safe and investigating breaches, lawmakers said on Friday.

Ensuring that small or rural airports with limited funding have robust security measures was one concern that was critical to passenger safety nationwide, said Congressman William Keating, a Democrat from Massachusetts. "We're only as good as our weakest link," he said during comments at a US House of Representatives Homeland Security subcommittee meeting at Boston's Logan International Airport.

Keating also suggested federal oversight of security efforts and authority to take action when there are lapses may be warranted and would be more effective than leaving local law enforcement in charge.

"There's no silver bullet in airport security. It's a comprehensive approach, coming at it from every angle you can," Keating said.

Other ongoing security issues officials have been grappling with include airport perimeter security breaches, passenger screening, jurisdiction for investigations, detecting chemical explosives and a need for a public safety radio band.—*Internet*

***A TSA worker loads suitcases at the checked luggage security screening station at Los Angeles International Airport on 7 September, 2011, as part of new security enhancements in the ten years following the 11 September attacks.—*INTERNET**

Four charged over Zanzibar boat tragedy

DODOMA, 18 Sept—Four Tanzanians have been charged with negligence over last week's boat accident off the country's Zanzibar archipelago that killed 203 people, a prosecutor said Saturday.

Boat captain Said Adallah Kinyanyite, his assistant Abdallah Mohamed Ali, one of the boat owners Yusuf Suleiman and Silima Nyange Silima, a Zanzibar port official were charged on Friday.

"I confirm that the four suspects have been brought to court and charged," said Ramadhan Nassib, Zanzibar prosecutor, adding that they four were charged with "causing death by negligence."

The suspects will reappear in court on Monday.

The *MV Spice Islander* capsized early Saturday, but rescuers saved 619 passengers of the more than 800 on the severely overloaded boat which was headed to Pemba from Unguja, Zanzibar's main island. Residents have also accused authorities of negligence.—*Internet*

Thriving Myanmar valuable teak plants through plant thinning (2)

By Maung Maung (Kyauktan)

In a nature of trees, if teak plants grow very densely in the forest, the plants will slow down in growth due to deficiency of fertilizer and light. If spaces between plants are wider, the plants will have many branches that decline value of the wood.

Officials concerned and trainees participate in practical works of plant thinning at teak plantation.

Plant thinning must be done at the plantations regularly. Thinning the larger number of plants at young status is better than thinning the smaller number of plants at mature status. If there are wider vacant areas, it can be assumed that plant thinning will be larger. I noticed that plant thinning is to be carried out with the aim of remaining the straight and best plants after the last thinning.

Although teak is to be thinned out at its five years old, Phyo Sithu private teak plant could be carried out with plant thinning for four years old plants. General Manager U Kyaw Soe of the plantation heartily explained thriving of the teak plants.

"Our company commenced growing of teak plants on 12 November 2006. We have grown teaks on 7200 acres of land of 9700 permitted acres in Paukkhaung, Kyangin and Kyaukdaga townships. The land for teak plantations were allowed at the low-grade areas. In accord with the instruction of officials concerned, we nurtured the plants and secured achievements in growing teak plants. So far, we have won private plantation establishment prizes awarded by FAO two times."

While undertaking environmental conservation, Phyo Sithu Company is creating job opportunities for the rural people. Thus, the company takes pride in its work of alleviating poverty of the rural people while engaging in the forestry business.

If plant thinning is carried out at the four-year old teak plantation, domestic used poles of trees can be extracted. The logs from plant thinning are being innovated through technologies to produce marketable products to be exported to the foreign market.

"In the future task, we focus on conservation of 1890 acres of Yenwe watershed area as a natural forest with the aim of ensuring long-term existence of Yenwe Dam near Yenwe forest reserve where Kyaukdaga teak plantation of the company lies. We also carry out conservation of natural forests in Paukkhaung plantation area," explained the general manager.

Assistant Director U Win Myint of Forest Research Division of Forest Department explains benefits of plant thinning.

On my trip, I witnessed endeavours of Phyo Sithu Company in generating jobs for local people in Paukkhaung, Kyangin and Kyaukdaga town-ships, allowing the local people to grow cotton, sesame, beans, maize and paddy among teak plantations of the company, free trade, and providing assistance for workers and local people in social, health and education tasks.

The company has donated a suction machine, anti-venom and anti-malaria medicines to the hospitals in the region. As Kyangin teak plantation was located in the poor transport area, roads and bridges were upgraded and built, so the local people can conveniently transport their products and crops to the market, according to Deputy Manager U Aung Min of Kyangin teak plantation.

I was very delighted with thriving teak plantations that will earn increased foreign exchange and contribute to prevention of climate changes. Establishing tree plantations is designed to conserve the climate and environment. Moreover, the forest plantations create habitats for wildlife. On my return, I was thoughtful for growing valuable teak and teak plantations through plant thinning.

Woods from logs obtained from teak plant thinning made as marketable products.

Photo shows thriving teak plants from Phyo Sithu private teak plantation in South Nawin forest reserve in Paukkhaung Township.

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Translation: TTA

Over 300 killed, 6 million affected by floods in Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 18 Sept—Recent floods triggered by heavy monsoon rains in southern Pakistan have killed nearly 300 people and affected 6 million more, according to the latest figures released by the country's National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) on Saturday.

Siblings, displaced by floods, take refuge in a classroom of a government school in the Badin District of Pakistan's Sindh Province on 17 September, 2011.

INTERNET

The floods caused damage to an area of 7.987 million acres and swept away standing crops in the whole affected areas, said NDMA.

According to NDMA, floods have affected all the 23 districts of Sindh Province and completely damaged a total of 539,899 houses while another 848,412 houses have suffered partial damage.

More than 80,000 livestock have been washed away by flood waters in Sindh while cotton, banana, dates, chili and sugarcane on 2,800,000 acres of land have been destroyed or affected. About 31,960 villages have been badly affected by the floods.

The first spell of rain that started on 11 Aug mainly affected 7 districts of Sindh Province while an ongoing second spell has hit the entire province including Karachi. An estimated 415,195 people are presently living in some 2,656 makeshift relief camps including schools and public buildings across Sindh, said NDMA.—*Xinhua*

Photo taken on 17 Sept, 2011 shows Korean folk artists perform during a night parade at the ongoing Shanghai Tourism Festival in east China's Shanghai.

XINHUA

Capital disbursed to people in Yangon Region

Union Minister for Labour and for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Aung Kyi addresses ceremony to present capital for private micro-credit scheme.—MNA

YANGON, 18 Sept—Union Minister for Labour and for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Aung Kyi yesterday attended the ceremony to present capital for micro-credit scheme at the hall of Basic Education High School No. 1 in Mingala Taungnyunt Township.

Speaking on the occasion, the Union Minister said that poverty alleviation being implemented by the government is one of the tasks serving the interest of the people. With a view to alleviating poverty, Yangon Region government and private entrepreneurs jointly disburse capital money to the people through microfinance supervisory committee, he said.

He stressed the need for the people to efficiently use the capital in production, private industries and odd-jobs.

Yangon Region Minister for Finance and Revenue Daw San San Nwe explained the rules for private micro-credit schemes.

Officials presented K 113 million for the micro-credit schemes for Mingala Taungnyunt Township.

The Union Minister and the region ministers viewed systematic disbursement of loans to the private micro-credit scheme by the microfinance supervisory committee.

MNA

Signing ceremony on purchase of GSM mobile communication devices for extended installation of GSM mobile phone lines

Union Minister for CPT U Thein Tun attends ceremony to sign agreements on purchase of GSM mobile communication devices for extended installation of GSM mobile phone lines.—MNA

YANGON, 18 Sept — In his address at the ceremony to sign agreements on purchase of GSM mobile communication devices for extended installation of GSM mobile phone lines held at the meeting hall of International Express Mail Service here yesterday morning, Union Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs U Thein Tun said that works are being carried out for timely completion of extended installation of GSM mobile phone project, inviting participation of private sector on a wider scale in this effort for enabling the public to have access to mobile phones at a reasonable price and creating jobs and opportunities for the youths. The Union minister called for collaborative efforts between officials of the ministry and entrepreneurs of private sector so as to be able to overcome possible limitations and difficulties as follow-up tasks to be done practically.

Next, responsible persons of ZTE Corporation Co Ltd and Huawei Technologies Co Ltd, entrepreneurs of local companies and officials signed agreements on purchase of GSM mobile communication devices.

Then the Union minister inspected preparations for Yatanarpon One Stop Information Call Centre near EMS in Hanthawady Communications Station. He called for timely opening of call centre as functions of the call center is to store information needed for all-round sectors of the State at a single place and to exchange information internationally and more efforts to be an international standard Call Centre, providing services for enquires about daily changing and developing situations of education, health, social and communication sectors.

The Union minister visited Accounts Department of Myanma Posts and Telecommunications in Pabedan Township, control rooms of Trunk Call Department of Pansodan Telegraph Office in Kyauktada Township this morning. In his inspection tour, the Union minister stressed the need for better communications, convenience of landline users and systematic use of communication devices for its durability as 590000 landlines have been installed across the country so far.— *MNA*

YCDC to build more garbage tanks for beautifying Yangon

YANGON, 18 Sept—Yangon City Development Committee is making all-out efforts for realizing Yangon City to be clean, lush and green.

In repairing walkways in downtown Yangon, wheelchair lanes for the handicapped are included. The Yangon residents have made positive comments over the repair works.

Garbage trucks are operating day and night for beautifying the city. Repairing old garbage tanks and building new ones are carried out township-wise. In Shwepyitha Township, YCDC has planned to build new thrash bins with the length of 10 feet, the breadth of seven feet and the width of five feet. If Yangonites join YCDC in collecting the thrash, the city will be doubtlessly clean and beautified at breakneck speed.

The city dwellers are demanding road repairs when the weather is favourable in coming open season as the heavy rain falls this year destroyed motor roads in many townships.

(Win Win Maw-MNA)
Translation: HKA

14 people killed by floods in Cambodia

PHNOM PENH, 18 Sept—At least 14 Cambodians died in flooding that was caused by heavy rain falls just in a week, a Cambodian government official said Saturday. Keo Vy, communication officer of National Committee for Disaster Management said from 10 Sept through 16, at least 14 Cambodians have died in the flooding that had hit the country following heavy rain falls.

He said the country's central Province of Kompong Thom was recorded with the highest death toll of 11, with five of them were children.

Kompong Thom is a gateway of water flows from the upper part of the country to Tonle Sap Lake, the largest water reservoir in the country. Accor-ding to Keo Vy, two other girls and a boy died in two other Provinces of Preah Vihear and Siem Reap as they were drown in flood water.

However, he said the water level is gradually down by Saturday morning in the upper part of the country, though the Ministry of Water Resource and Meteorology warned in the early day of the week that flooding will again hit the country through the end of the month.

Xinhua

Public-Private Partnership…

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President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry U Win Aung, Chairman of Myanmar Rice Industry Association U Chit Khaing and advisers, and private entrepreneurs participated in discussions on development of rice and paddy industries and rice and paddy sector.

The Union ministers reviewed the discussions and suggestions.

After the meeting, the attendees viewed thriving 40-acre model paddy plantation and mechanized farms in Chaing Village of Dekkhinathiri Township, special yield model paddy plantation of farmers of Aungthukha Village and 100-acre paddy seed production farm of University of Agriculture (Yezin).—*MNA*

Prize-presentation of second-round…

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At the third round sports events of 2011 Nay Pyi Taw Champion Challenge Cup Tournament, traditional boxing, track and field event and cycling races will be held at Paunglaung Gym in Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana on 22 September.—*MNA*

***Union Minister U Tint Hsan enjoys Champion Challenge Cup Tournament Boxing match-2011.*—MNA**

Special Refresher Course for basic education teachers No (42) concludes

***Chairman of UCSB U Kyaw Thu delivering address at concluding ceremony of Special Refresher Course No. 42, held at Central Institute of Civil Service (Upper Myanmar).*—MNA**

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Sept—The concluding ceremony of Special Refresher Course No (42) of Basic Education Teachers was held at Central Institute of Civil Service (Upper Myanmar) yesterday morning, with an address by Chairman of Union Civil Service Board U Kyaw Thu.

The ceremony was attended by Deputy Minister for Cooperatives U Than Tun, Deputy Minister for Education U Aye Kyu, UCSB Member Dr Myint Aung, Mandalay Region Social Affairs Minister Dr Win Hlaing, officials and 1507 trainees.

The UCSB Chairman said in this address that Our Three Main National Causes was a national duty every citizen had to uphold and safeguard; to safeguard Our Three Main National Causes, it needed three powers— political, economic and defence, which were based on human resources development of the nation; education plays a key role in developing human resources; an individual or a society or a nation may strive for advancement based on education; as Myanmar is blessed with both natural resources and manpower, it will be a developed nation if we make efforts for human resources development using all of their intellectual and physical power; as the government was building political, economic and social foundations in line with national objectives, teachers in different regions were to serve the public with a willing heart playing respective roles; teachers were responsible for transforming the nation into a continuous learning society ensuring each and every citizen was literate; they were committed to promote formal education, non-formal education and self-study as a national duty; the main task for rural development and poverty reduction was elimination of illiteracy.

The UCSB chairman presented prizes to outstanding trainees and cordially greeted all the trainees.—*MNA*

Beautifying Chin State with teak, cherry and tea plants

By Ko Gyi Tha

The government is encouraging in establishment of private-owned forest plantation, rendering necessary assistance.

During my visit in Chin State, I have an opportunity to observe measures being taken for making Chin mountain ranges beautiful with teak, cherry and tea plants. Although it was planned to beautify the road from Kalay to Chin mountain ranges with cherry trees, they were substituted with teak plants due to weather condition.

President of i Love Myanmar Daw Levi Sap Nei Thang introduced herself that I am a Chin national. I had an interview with her to share her aims of beautifying Chin mountain ranges in which protection of natural environment of Chin State, emergence of ecotourism destination in Chin State and creating more job opportunities for locals of Chin State are included. As I am a Chin national, I want to see Chin State pleasant and beautiful for a long time. So I have grown teak, cherry and tea plants with the aim of making Chin State more beautiful, pursuing environmental conservation and enabling local people to enjoy more job opportunities. I want every one to see beautiful cherry trees while starting to climb the Chin mountain ranges from Kalay. So I had an idea to grow cherry trees at the foot of the mountain ranges. But I had to grow teak plants as cherry cannot be thrived there due to weather condition. On the other hand, the government is encouraging in teak growing. Now cheery were planted near Thaingngin village in Tiddim Township where weather is cool and pleasant around the year. When cherry trees are in blossom, the whole ridge would be full of cherry flowers. I think travelers would like this view. With an increase in number of visitors in Chin State, local people will be able to deal with more businesses.

As Chin State is designated as a tea State by the government, I grew tea plants. Arrangements are being made to grow various kinds of hardwood plants near teak plantations. I would like to say every one that various kinds of hardwood plants can be thrived in Chin State. I would like to urge locals not to cut down trees for environmental con-servation. Creeks and streams in Chin State will be dry up due to cutting down of trees. Thus I would like to beg active participation of all local people in environmental con-servation.

So far, 300-acre of teak plantation in Tiddim Township of Chin State, 300-acre of cherry plantation and 50-acre of tea plantation have been established by i Love Myanmar.

Translation: YM

Photo shows thriving teak plantations.

Greek PM cancels US trip as debt crisis deepens

ATHENS, 18 Sept—Greek Prime Minister George Papandreou canceled a planned visit to the United States on Saturday to deal with a deepening crisis at home, days before European Union and IMF inspectors decide on further funding for the debt-ridden country.

Finance Minister Evangelos Venizelos rushed to allay fears the canceled trip signaled imminent default, saying such talk was "ridiculous," but the conservative opposition seized the opportunity to demand snap elections, fanning fears Greece lacks the will needed for tough measures ahead.

"The comments and analyses about an imminent default or bankruptcy are not only irresponsible but also ridiculous," Venizelos said in a statement.

"Every weekend Greece ... is subject to this organized attack by speculators in international markets."

Papandreou was in London, en-route to United Nations and International Monetary Fund (IMF) meetings, when he decided to turn back after discussing developments with Venizelos, government officials said.

"The prime minister judged that he should not be away. He wants to ensure that all of Greece's commitments (to its EU partners) are fulfilled," government spokesman Ilias Mossialos told *Reuters*. *Reuters*

***Greece's Prime Minister George Papandreou addresses the audience at the International Trade fair of Thessaloniki in northern Greece on 10 September, 2011.—*INTERNET**

Three explosive devices set off in Melbourne of Australia

MELBOURNE, 18 Sept—Three homemade explosives have been set off in Australia's northern suburbs of Melbourne, destroying a rubbish bin and spreading debris along roads and a nature strip, Victoria state police said on Saturday.

Sergeant Brenton Smith said a Molotov cocktail was detonated on Kiwana Grove, Montmorency, about 8:30 pm (AEST) on Friday. The force of the explosion sent debris flying 15 metres from the device.

About two hours later, another suspicious device exploded on a nature strip on Glen Park Road in Eltham.

Police were also called to Eltham Lower Park after a third explosive device was detonated in a wheelie bin on top of a table. The explosion destroyed the bin and sent rubbish flying around the scene.

Sergeant Smith said it was lucky no one was injured.

"It was a real risk not only to the community who may be walking through those areas, residential areas, but also to the people that are making these devices," he told ABC News on Saturday.

"They're not trained, they're not chemists, they don't know what they are doing. There's a high risk they may in fact injure themselves."—*MNA/Xinhua*

Five killed, 37 injured in Sri Lanka car-trains accident

COLOMBO, 18 Sept—At least five people were killed and 37 others injured when a car bumped into two trains in Sri Lanka on Saturday, according to an official from the Ceylon Government Railway (CGR) on Sunday.

A train driver, an assistant driver and a passenger who was a Buddhist monk from Thailand were among dead when a passenger train rammed into a car, an express train and a broken-down train on the same direction. The car suffered severe damage, the source said. Rescue work is going on.—*MNA/Xinhua*

German giant Siemens renounces nuclear activity

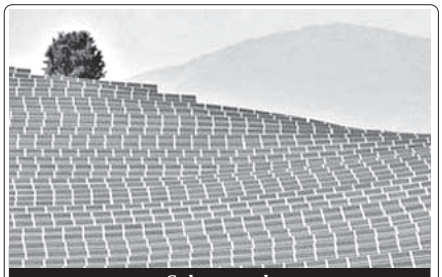
BERLIN, 18 Sept—German industrial giant Siemens is turning the page on nuclear energy, the group's CEO Peter Loescher told *the Der Spiegel weekly* in an interview published on Sunday.

"We will no longer be involved in overall managing of building or financing nuclear plants. This chapter is closed for us," he said, explaining that Siemens would restrict its activity to double-use technology.

"We will from now on supply only conventional equipment such as steam turbines. This means we are restricting ourselves to technologies that are not only for nuclear purposes but can also be used in gas or coal plants."

The German government announced its decision to abandon nuclear power by 2022 in the wake of the disaster at Japan's Fukushima nuclear plant.

Germany is the first major industrialised power to agree an end to atomic power since the disaster, the world's worst since Chernobyl in 1986, with tens of thousands of people living near Fukushima evacuated. *Internet*



Solar panels

China takes over as US solar power firms fail

SHANGHAI, 18 Sept—China's solar power firms are emerging as the industry's dominant force after the collapse of foreign competitors, but the new market leaders are already struggling with low prices and overcapacity.

As the workshop of the world, China has used cheap labour and state support to build a solar industry from scratch in just over a decade as part of a broader strategy to move up the manufacturing value chain from cheap toys and clothes. China is the world's second biggest oil consumer, and polluting fossil fuels account for 90 per cent of its total energy use, but the country is making large strides forward in clean energy.

Analysts say Chinese firms now have 70 per cent of the growing global market in solar panels, thanks to aggressive pricing and the collapse of three US competitors in the last two months.

"The position of Chinese players has certainly been enhanced this year," said Tang Xiaodong, a Shanghai-based analyst at independent investment advisory firm CEBM. "Lower costs are the direction of the industry and the advantages of Chinese firms on this front have been mani-fested more clearly." *Internet*

Police arrest four in burglary of boxer Pacquiao's home

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INTERNET

LOS ANGELES, 18 Sept—Four people were arrested for burglary at the Los Angeles area home of Filipino boxing icon Manny Pacquaio, authorities said Saturday.

Police said no one was in the house at the time of the incident and an attorney for the Asian southpaw, who also serves as a Philippines Congressman, said nothing was taken from the house.

Sheriff's detectives were in the neighbourhood where Pacquiao's house is located on another matter and saw the burglary in progress, officials said.

Identities of the four people involved have not been released, but they were being questioned by police. Charges have not yet been filed against them.

Pacquiao, 53-3 with two drawn and 38 knockouts, is in the Philippines training for a 12 November defence of his World Boxing Organization welter-weight crown against Mexico's Juan Manuel Marquez, 53-5 with one drawn and 39 knock-kouts.—*Internet*

India to push for global convention to fight terrorism at UN

NEW DELHI, 18 Sept — India will push for at the upcoming United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) a comprehensive global convention to fight international terror, reported the *Indo-Asian News Service* Saturday.

India will also press for all member-states to fully comply with their counter-terrorism obligations, committed by them through several resolutions, said the report quoting Indian Foreign Secretary Ranjan Mathai as saying here Saturday.

Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh will be at the UN from 22 Sept to 26 Sept when he will meet other world leaders for bilateral engagements both at formal and informal settings, said the report.

India currently heads the UNSC committee on counter-terrorism, set up after the 11 Sept attacks.

"Terrorist attack in New Delhi once again served as a reminder of the constant threat posed by terrorism to the security of democratic societies and wellbeing of its citizens," said the Indian top diplomat.

"We are currently chairing the UNSC committee on counter-terrorism established by its resolution adopted in the wake of 11 Sept, 2001, terror attacks," he said, noting that India was organizing a special meeting of the committee on 28 Sept, which is the 10th anniversary of the resolution.

MNA/Xinhua

India to test fire nuclear-capable Agni 2 prime missile next month

NEW DELHI, 18 Sept—India is planning to test fire advanced nuclear-capable *Agni 2 prime ballistic missile* next month, highly placed sources said on Sunday. "The missile, with a strike range of around 3,000 km, has been developed by making some modifications in *Agni 2* missile.

The missile also has a better navigational system and greater accuracy in comparison to the *Agni 2* missile," the sources said.—*Internet*

Overseas Chinese visit a photo exhibition for the celebration of the 62nd anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China, in Johannesburg, South Africa, on 17 Sept, 2011. A grand performance and a Chinese photo exhibition were held on Saturday in Johannesburg for the 62nd anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China, which falls on 1 Oct. **XINHUA**

Somali pirates release Vietnamese-owned ship

NAIROBI, 18 Sept—Somali pirates have released a hijacked Vietnamese-owned bulk carrier with 24 crew-members, a regional maritime official confirmed on Saturday.

Andrew Mwangura, Maritime editor for Somalia Repor, said *MV Hoang Son Sun* which was seized in January this year approximately 520 nautical miles South East of the port of Muscat, Oman was freed on Friday.

"Hoang Son Sun was released recently but the vessel left the pirates hands on Friday.

The vessel is now heading to Salalah port in Oman where she will dock either on Monday or Tuesday," Mwangura told *Xinhua* by telephone He said the 2.2,835-tonne Mongolian-flaggedbulk carrier was hijacked on 17 Jan with all Vietnamese nationals.

The Mongolian flagged vessel was not registered with the Maritime Security Centre – Horn of Africa (MSCHOA) which provides a service to mariners in the Gulf of Aden, the Somali Basinand off the Horn of Africa MSC (HOA) and had not reported to UK Maritime Trade Operations (UKMTO).

Xinhua

Suez Canal 8-mo earnings up by 11.7% to $3.46 bn

Israeli navy vessel Haifa crosses the Suez canal waterway near the port city of Ismailia on 5 September. Egypt's Suez Canal earned $3.458 billion in the first eight months of 2011, an 11.7 percent increase from $3.095 billion a year earlier, the head of the Suez Canal Authority said on Saturday.— **INTERNET**

CAIRO, 18 Sept—Egypt's Suez Canal earned $3.458 billion in the first eight months of 2011, an 11.7 percent increase from $3.095 billion a year earlier, the head of the Suez Canal Authority said on Saturday.

The official *MENA* news agency quoted Ahmed Fadel as saying 11,721 ships passed through during the 2011 period with cargoes of 612.1 million tonnes, compared with 11,864 ships and 549.9 million tonnes, for an 11.3 percent increase. Along with tourism and remittances from workers abroad, the canal is one of Egypt's key revenue earners.

The canal has earned $73.3 billion dollars since president Gamal Abdel Nasser nationalized it in 1956, the agency quoted Fadel as saying.

Internet

Seven S Korea savings banks told to suspend operations

SEOUL, 18 Sept—South Korea's government Sunday ordered seven savings banks to suspend operations because of their poor financial condition due to heavy investment in risky property projects at home and abroad.

The decision came two months after Seoul banking regulators launched investigations into scores of financially-troubled savings banks hit by the market downturn amid the global economic crisis.

The Financial Super-visory Commission (FSC) has ordered the banks to suspend business for six months, urging the management to improve their financial health by issuing more shares or selling assets.

The FSC said the seven banks' capital adequacy ratios— a measure of reserves against assets at risk stipulated by the Bank for International Settlements standards — were below one percent, far below a regulatory limit of five.—*Internet*

A woman walks past a money exchange sign in Seoul. South Korea's government Sunday ordered seven savings banks to suspend operations because of their poor financial condition due to heavy investment in risky property projects at home and abroad.— **INTERNET**

Artists perform in the Beijing Opera "The Imperial Concubine is Drunk" at the Lincoln Centre in New York, the United States, on 17 Sept, 2011. Three performances including "Yan Dang Mountain", "The Imperial Concubine is Drunk" and "Zhong Kui Marries off His Sister" were presented here on Saturday night, honoring the 80th anniversary of opera master Mei Lanfang's historical visit to the US with his performances.— **XINHUA**

Human remains found during Le search

HAYWARD, 18 Sept—The search for a missing California nursing student turned up human remains Saturday, authorities said. However, Hayward police Lt Roger Keener said it had not been determined whether the decomposed remains found in a rugged area of Sunol Canyon by a volunteer searcher were those of Michelle Le, *the San Francisco Chronicle* reported. Keener said it wasn't even known whether the remains were those of a male or female, the newspaper said.

Le vanished the night of 27 May. On 7 Sept, Hayward police arrested Giselle Esteban, a former high school friend of Le they suspect killed her.

Along with other evidence, Keener said those suspicions are fueled by cellphone records indicating both women's phones "traveled on a similar path" after Le, 26, disappeared from the Kaiser Permanente Medical Centre's parking garage.—*Internet*

ANNOUNCEMENT

8th Ayeyawady Region Myanmar Medical Conference 2011 Pathein will be held in Myanmar Medical Association (Pathein) auditorium on Nov (3-4)th 2011. Senior Professors and Consultant Physician will deliver recent advances in medicine and latest medical trade show will be included in the Conference. For more information Please contact President Dr. Kyi Pe Law (Ortho paedic Surgeon) Ph. 042-24292. Secretary Dr. Saw Aung (Gen.Surgeon) Ph.(042-23390) (042-21292)

115 US children, teens died from flu last season: CDC

NEW YORK , 18 Sept — Some 115 US children and teens died from influenza last flu season, and many of those deaths were of children who had not gotten an annual flu shot, US health officials said on Thursday. The US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends flu shots for children as young as six months old, yet less than a quarter of the 74 children over age six months who died between September 2010 and August 2011 had been vaccinated.

"It's vital that children get vaccinated," Dr Lyn Finelli, chief of the CDC's Surveillance and Outbreak Response Team, said in a statement. The CDC said parents often mistakenly think healthy children can survive a bout of the flu, but that is not always so.Among the deaths detailed in the CDC's Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, released on Thursday, the team found about half of the children had no prior medical condition that would put them at increased risk of flu complications.—*Internet*

Thousands at risk as TB 'evolves with a vengeance'

LONDON, 18 Sept — Multidrug-resistant and extensively drug-resistant forms of tuberculosis (TB) are spreading at an alarming rate in Europe and will kill thousands unless health authorities halt the pandemic, the World Health Organization (WHO) has warned.

Launching a new regional plan to find, diagnose and treat cases of the airborne infectious disease more effectively, the WHO's European director warned that complacency had allowed a resurgence of TB — and failure to tackle it now would mean huge human and economic costs in the future.

"TB is an old disease that never went away, and now it is evolving with a vengeance," said Zsuzsanna Jakab, the WHO's Regional Director for Europe.

"The numbers are scary," Lucica Ditiu, executive secretary of the Stop TB Partnership told a news conference in London. "This is a very dramatic situation." TB is currently a worldwide pandemic that kills around 1.7 million people a year.

The infection is caused by the bacterium mycobacterium tuberculosis and destroys patients' lung tissue, causing them to cough up the bacteria, which then spreads through the air and can be inhaled by others.

Cases of multidrug-resistant (MDR-TB) and extensively drug-resistant TB (XDR-TB) — where the infections are resistant to first-line and then second-line antibiotic treatments — are spreading fast, with about 440,000 new patients every year around the world.

According to the WHO and Stop TB, 15 of the 27 countries with the highest burden of MDR-TB are in the WHO's European region, which includes 53 countries in Europe and Central Asia.— *Internet*

An actress performs Peking opera at the awarding ceremony of a Peking opera contest for young artists in Beijing, capital of China, on 16 Sept, 2011.—XINHUA

Actress Anna Faris poses for photos in promotion of her upcoming film "What's Your Number?" in Santa Monica, California, 17 September, 2011. —XINHUA

Yard forensic team searches Kenya beach for kidnap Briton

NAIROBI, 18 Sept — Forensics officers from Scotland Yard were yesterday combing a beach on a remote Kenyan island from which a British holidaymaker was abducted six days ago. wo policemen dressed in sterile body suits searched the area around Kiwayu Safari Village, where Judith Tebbutt was abducted in an attack in which her husband was shot dead.

A Metropolitan Police team is in Kenya to help local authorities with their investigations.

Kenyan officers are reported to have arrested two men suspected of involvement in Mr Tebbutt's murder and his widow's kidnapping. They are being questioned.

Mr Tebbutt, 57, from Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire, was shot when a gang raided the couple's beach cottage in the early hours of Sunday morning.

His wife, who is believed to be deaf and to wear a double hearing aid, is said to have been bundled into a boat which sped away from the isolated island resort, whose previous guests have included the artist Tracey Emin and the actress Imelda Staunton. It is feared that Mrs Tebbutt, 56, may have been taken across the border into Somalia.

Internet

Exercise can curb hunger, new research finds

AMHERST, 18 Sept — Maybe you've heard the recent downer reports that exercise won't make us thin because it makes us hungry, particularly for junk food. Or could be, you've noticed firsthand that you eat a lot more on gym days than on days off. Either way, it raises the question: If working outonly sets us up to blow our diet, what's the point?

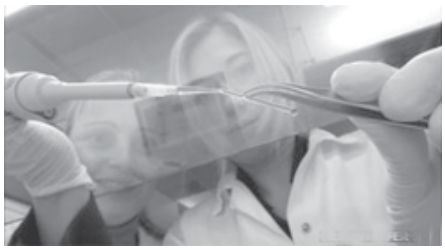
For starters, some research suggests exercise doesn't always cause hunger but can curb it. "Exercise may lower levels of ghrelin, a hormone that stimulates appetite in the short term, while raising levels of peptide YY, a hormone that suppresses appetite," says study author David Stensel, PhD, reader in exercise metabolism at Loughborough University.

That's only if the workout is intense (if you can chat, forget it), but the more intense it is, the longer the benefit seems to last. "It may be that your body needs to circulate more blood to prevent overheating," Stensel explains. Because eating would cause blood to flow to the stomach instead to aid digestion, your body dampens your appetite to prevent that.

Like all good things, this satiating effect ends—about an hour later, when your body starts to crave the energy it used up.

Internet

After a big workout, it's tempting to reward yourself with a sinful treat. But research shows that we grossly overestimate our calorie burn, which can stymie weight-loss efforts. — INTERNET



Artificial blood vessels could help those in urgent need of an organ transplant.

Artificial blood vessels created on a 3D printer

STUTTGART, 18 Sept — Artificial blood vessels made on a 3D printer may soon be used for transplants of lab-created organs. Until now, the stumbling block in tissue engineering has been supplying artificial tissue with nutrients that have to arrive via capillary vessels. A team at the Fraunhofer Institute in Germany has solved that problem using 3D printing and a technique called multiphoton polymerisation.

The findings will be shown at the Biotechnica Fair in Germany in October. Out of thousands of patients in desperate need of an organ transplant there are inevitably some who do not get it in time. In Germany, for instance, more than 11,000 people have been put on an organ transplant waiting list in 2011 alone.

To make sure more patients receive these life-saving surgeries, researchers in tissue engineering all over the globe have been working on creating artificial tissue and even entire organs in the lab.

But for a lab-made organ to function, it needs to be equipped with artificial blood vessels - tiny and extremely complex tubes that our organs naturally possess, used to carry nutrients.

Numerous attempts have been made to create synthetic capillaries, and the latest one by the German team seems to be especially promising.

Internet

LA woman boasts longest tongue

A Los Angeles woman can claim the distinction of having California's longest tongue — nearly 4 inches from tip to lip, the *Guinness Book of World Records* says.

But Chanel Tapper's 3.8-inch tongue fell shy of the world record, held by Stephen Taylor of the United Kingdom, whose tongue measures 3.86 inches, *the Los Angeles Times* reported.

Another Southern Californian, Charlotte Lee of Huntington Beach, holds the record for most rubber ducks, Guinness says. Lee owns 5,249 of them and keeps them in glass showcases in a room just for the ducks.

And most cow-related items? Nobody has more than Denise Tabangui's 2,429 of them as of March 2011. The San Jacinto woman's pursuit of bovine-related stuff began after she spotted a cow figurine in her mother's kitchen in 1990.

Gorilla statues are exhibited outside the City Hall in London 17 Sept, 2011. Twenty life-size gorilla statues decorated by UK artists are exhibited by River Thames outside the London City Hall from 16 to 22 Sept, and will be auctioned at the end of September, in a bid to raise awareness of the animals' endangered habitats.

Mayor not surprised at cat's New York trip

New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg said he was honoured a Colorado cat who disappeared five years ago chose his city as a destination.

Bloomberg said Willow, the cat found in Manhattan last week and identified as a feline missing five years ago from the home of Jamie Squires in Boulder, Colo, has good taste in cities, *the New York Daily News* reported Friday.

"What I think it does show is how everybody in the end wants to come and live in New York," Bloomberg said Thursday.

Squires said her family is planning a New York trip to retrieve the cat as soon as the feline passes the required health screenings to be allowed to fly across state lines.

News Album

Children make instant noodles at the opening of a cup noodle museum in Yokohama, suburban Tokyo, on 17 September, 2011. Japan's Nissin Foods opened a cup noodle museum on 17 September charting the history of the speedy snack where visitors even get the chance to create their own tasty version. About 500 adults and children queued up before the museum opened in the port city of Yokohama near Tokyo with celebrity guests ranging from a former prime minister to a retail business tycoon.

Mystery teen baffles German police

A mysterious English- speaking youth who says he lived in the woods in Germany for about five years with his father has Berlin police baffled.

The teenager says his first name is Ray but doesn't know his last, and doesn't know where he came from, *The Guardian* reported Friday.

He told authorities his father, who he said went by the name Ryan, died about two weeks ago and he buried him before leaving the forest where they had been living.

He showed up in Berlin last week. Authorities estimate he's about 17.

"He speaks fluent English and very broken German," Berlin police spokesman Michael Maass told the British newspaper.

"He doesn't show any signs of abuse and he is in good shape physically and psychologically."

Hollywood balks at big budget movies as DVDs drop

LOS ANGELES, 18 Sept—Hollywood — long considered the land of excess— is becoming more cost-conscious, as movie executives rethink what they're willing to pay to make a blockbuster.

After years of beefing up budgets to meet audience expectations, movie studios are cutting back and canceling projects that are too costly. Half-baked, expensive movie ideas that would have received approval a few years ago are now under scrutiny. For movies that are made, producers have to settle for toned-down special effects, cheaper actors and fewer locations for shoots.

In the past five years, major studios have trimmed the annual number of films they release by nearly a third to cut costs and avoid having big movies compete head-to-head on opening weekends.

In July, two major projects were stopped mid-stream because of budget pressures. The Walt Disney Co halted "The Lone Ranger," starring Johnny Depp, even though sets were already half-built in New Mexico. Universal pulled out of "The Dark Tower," a three-movie, two-TV-series colossus based on books by Stephen King.—*Internet*

In this film publicity image released by Disney, from left, Emma Stone and Viola Davis are shown in a scene from "The Help." The declining DVD business has forced Hollywood to rethink what it's willing to pay to make a blockbuster.—INTERNET

South African artist William Kentridge, back, and dancer Dada Masilo, front, on stage during a dress rehearsal of the production "Dancing With Dada" at the Market Theatre, in Johannesburg on 16 Sept, 2011.—INTERNET

Artist William Kentridge on stage in South Africa

JOHANNESBURG, 18 Sept—South African artist William Kentridge is perhaps best known for his charcoal drawings and videos in which those drawings seem to dance.

But he works in a wide variety of media — putting his drawings on stage amid a polyphony of keyboards and brass curious instruments salvaged from antique shops, and text from Shakespeare to Gogol. Dancers, puppets and singers thread their way through the maelstrom of his pieces.

Over the past month, hometown audiences have had a chance to immerse themselves in the collages of image, sound and movement that have made Kentridge a major international figure.

"Refuse the Hour," a two-week festival of his work at Johannesburg's renowned Market Theatre, culminates this weekend with "Dancing with Dada," a new piece of dance, spoken word, live music and video.—*Internet*

John Wayne exhibit to open in NYC ahead of auction

NEW YORK, 18 Sept—John Wayne fans will be able to see the eye patch he wore in "True Grit," scripts with handwritten notes and a Golden Globe he won when an exhibition of his memorabilia opens in New York.

The exhibition features 100 items from among 750 scripts, costumes, awards and letters that Wayne's estate is putting up for auction. His American Express card, his personal saddle and the hat he wore for his Oscar-winning role of Rooster Cogburn in "True Grit" will also be on display.

The exhibit will be 23-25 Sept at the Fletcher Sinclair Mansion on 79th Street. The auction will be in Los Angeles 6-7 Oct, but fans can place bids online at the Heritage Auctions website.

Wayne's real name was Marion Robert Morrison. He died in 1979.—*Internet*

In this undated photo provided by Heritage Auctions, one of the eye patches worn by actor John Wayne in the 1969 film, "True Grit" is shown.—INTERNET

Inter Milan, AS Roma settle for goalless draw

MILAN, 18 Sept — Inter Milan and AS Roma settled for a goalless draw which gave them their first point each of the Serie A season at the San Siro on Saturday in a game which avoided plunging either side into further crisis.

Although Inter halted their spiral of three defeats in three games, including an humiliating home loss to outsiders Trabzonspor in the Champions League midweek, they rarely threatened Roma who have also had a mediocre start to the season. Roma, beaten at home by Cagliari in the opening match and already out of the Europa League, failed to transform their possession into goals as Inter created more chances.—*Internet*

***Inter Milan's Argentinian defender Adrian Samuel (back) vies with AS Roma's Argentinian forward Pablo Daniel Osvaldo during the Italian Serie A football match at the San Siro Stadium in Milan.*— INTERNET**

Saha reveals torment after Everton axe

LONDON, 18 Sept — Everton striker Louis Saha took to Twitter to reveal his torment after being dropped for Saturday's Premier League clash against Wigan at Goodison Park. Saha was quick to give vent to his frustrations on the micro-blogging website when he discovered that Toffees boss David Moyes had left him out of the match-day squad.

Everton striker Louis Saha

The 33-year-old French star has played just 41 minutes this season in two substitute appearances and has not featured since the League Cup win over Sheffield United on August 24. "I am not good enough. Absolutely destroyed," Saha tweeted. "It's coz I'm confident in my ability that I'm gutted." It is understood Saha was at Goodison Park but left the ground soon after discovering he was not in the squad. — *Internet*

Davis Cup: Federer beats Tomic, qualifier tied 2-2

Roger Federer

SYDNEY, 18 Sept — Roger Federer defeated Bernard Tomic 6-2, 7-5, 3-6, 6-3 on Sunday to move Switzerland level with Australia at 2-2 in their Davis Cup World Group qualifying playoff. That meant the last match between Lleyton Hewitt and Stanislas Wawrinka will determine which country advances to the elite 16-team World Group next year.

On a grass court at Royal Sydney Golf Club, swirling winds and hot conditions played havoc with the players and appeared to inflame the temper of Australia captain Pat Rafter, who complained to chair umpire Alexandre Juge over a let cord alarm that kept going off incorrectly. —*Internet*

***Iran's Reza Mohammad Ali Yazdani (L) competes with Serhat Balci of Turkey during the men's 96kg freestyle final at the 2011 World Wrestling Championship in Istanbul, Turkey, on 17 Sept, 2011.* XINHUA**

***Barcelona's Lionel Messi (L) battles for the ball against Osasuna's Roversio during their Spanish first division soccer match at Nou Camp stadium in Barcelona on 17 Sep, 2011.*—XINHUA**

SPORTS

Ten-man Bremen go top, Cologne floor Leverkusen

BERLIN, 18 Sept — Ten-man Werder Bremen went top of the German league on Saturday thanks to a 1-1 draw at Nuremberg despite having Germany goalkeeper Tim Wiese sent off. With Bayern Munich playing at Schalke on Sunday, Bremen took the opportunity to go top as they picked up a point, despite losing Wiese after just 17 minutes. The 29-year-old was shown a straight red after an ugly tackle on Nuremberg striker Christian Eigler which forced Bremen to bring on reserve goalkeeper Sebastian Mielitz. The point leaves Bremen top on goal difference, and level on 13 points with Moenchengladbach, to leave Bayern just a point behind before Sunday's game in Gelsenkirchen.

Having lost 2-0 at Chelsea in their opening Champions League game on Tuesday, Leverkusen were dismantled by Cologne as Germany striker Lukas Podolski and Slovakian forward partner Milivoje Novakovic ran riot in a 4-1 victory. *Internet*

Russia, Azerbaijan, Iran split golds at wrestling worlds

ISTANBUL, 18 Sept — Russia, Azerbaijan and Iran split the three freestyle gold medals offered on Saturday at the world wrestling championship in the Turkish city of Istanbul.

In the 60kg class, the gold went to Russian Besik Kudukhov who beat Franklin Gomez Matos of Puerto Rico, with the bronze being shared by Kenichi Yomoto of Japan and Dauren Zhumagazyev of Kazakhstan.

Azerbaijan's Sharif Sharifov won the 84kg title, with the silver snatched by Ibragim Aldatov of Ukraine, and both Albert Saritov of Russia and Dato Marsagishvili of Georgia placed third jointly.

In the 96kg class, Iran's Reza Mohammad Ali Yazdani won the gold by beating Serhat Balci of Turkey, and the bronze went to Ruslan Sheikhau of Belarus and Jacob Stephen Varner of the United States.

The championship will run through 18 September.

Russia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, China, Senegal, Kazakhstan, Japan, Ukraine and Turkey are the countries with participants in every available category. *Xinhua*

Azerbaijan's Sharif Sharifov (top) celebrates after winning the men's 84kg freestyle final against Ibragim Aldatov of Ukraine at the 2011 World Wrestling Championship in Istanbul, Turkey, on 17 Sept , 2011. — XINHUA

Barcelona win the highlight of Saturday night in BBVA Primera Liga

MADRID, 18 Sept — FC Barcelona produced a magnificent display on Satuday night to win 8-0 at home over Osasuna in the Spanish BBVA Primera Liga. Leo Messi scored a hat-trick, David Villa added two more, while Xavi Hernandez, Cesc Fabrigas and an own goal completed the rout. Barcelona enjoyed 84 percent of the ball as they dispelled any doubts over a loss of form after two draws in the last week.

Elsewhere Villarreal's poor start to the season continued with a 1-0 defeat away to Granada, who took their first win since returning to the top flight. Ikechukwu Uche's strike decided the result, although Giuseppe Rossi missed a penalty for Villarreal. Martin Demichelis scored the only goal of the game as Malaga won away to a Mallorca side that looks destined to struggle.

Meanwhile Sporting Gijon have lost their first three matches. Roberto Soldado's fifth goal of the season condemned Sporting to a 1-0 defeat at home to Valencia, who are overnight leaders in Spain with nine points from three games. Saturday ended with Freddy Kanoute scoring the only goal of the game as Sevilla deservedly defeated Real Sociedad 1-0. — *Xinhua*

Nuremberg's midfielder Markus Feulner (L) and Werder Bremen's striker Aaron Hunt fight for the ball during the German first division Bundesliga football match in Nuremberg. — INTERNET

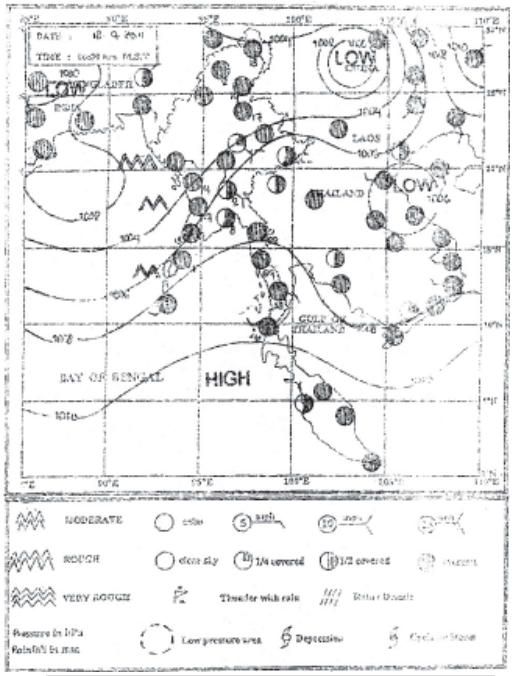
Montpellier squander two-goal lead

BREST, 18 Sept — French league leaders Montpellier squandered a two-goal lead in a 2-2 draw at Brest on Saturday while Toulouse battled back from 2-0 down to defeat Bordeaux 3-2 and move level on points at the top. Olivier Giroud scored both Montpellier goals in the fiarst half, taking his season's tally to four.

But Israeli striker Eden Ben Basat pulled one back in the 70th minute with Argentine defender Santiago Juan Gentiletti stunning the leaders with a 88th-minute leveller. Brest held on for a point despite a last-minute red card for France Under-21 full-back Tripy Makonda.—*Internet*

***Brest's defender Gentiletti (R) vies with Montpellier's forward Olivier Giroud during the French L1 football match in Brest, western France.* INTERNET**

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



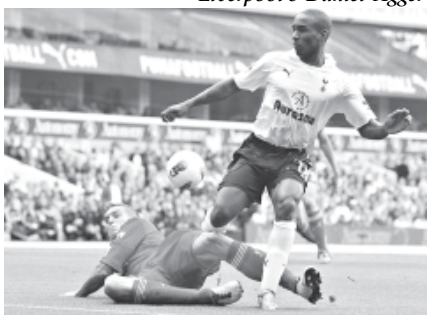
Weather forecast for 19th September, 2011

Sr. No.	Regions/States	Temperature (°C/F) Maximum	Minimum	For Tomorrow Forecast	Percent
1	Kachin	30/86	24/75	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
2	Kayah	30/86	20/68	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
3	Kayin	27/81	21/70	Widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
4	Chin	20/68	12/54	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
5	Upper Sagaing	34/93	26/79	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
6	Lower Sagaing	34/93	26/79	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
7	Tanintharyi	25/77	21/70	Widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
8	Bago	31/88	20/70	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
9	Magway	35/95	27/81	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
10	Mandalay	34/93	26/79	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
11	Mon	27/81	23/73	Widespread rain or thundershowers (Isolated Heavyfall)	80%
12	Yangon	30/86	22/72	Widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
13	Rakhine	29/84	27/70	Widespread rain or thundershowers (Isolated Heavyfall)	80%
14	Southern Shan	26/79	18/64	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
15	Northern Shan	31/88	22/72	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
16	Eastern Shan	30/86	22/72	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
17	Ayeyawady	30/86	23/73	Widespread rain or thundershowers (Isolated Heavyfall)	80%
18	Neighbouring Nay Pyi Taw	33/91	25/77	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
19	Neighbouring Yangon	30/86	22/72	One or two rain or thundershowers	80%
20	Neighbouring Mandalay	34/93	26/79	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%

Summary of observations at 09:30 hr MST on today	During the past (24) hours, weather has been party cloudy in Kayah State, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Sagaing, Mandalay and Magway Regions, Shan State and fairly widespread in Bago and Yangon Regions, Chin State and widespread in the remaining Regions and States with isolated heavy falls in Tanintharyi Region and Rakhine State. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Thandwe (4.33) inches, Launglon (3.35) inches, Dawei (2.72) inches and Mogok (2.36) 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 off and along Myanmar Coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35) mph.
Outlook for subsequent two days	Likelohood of increases of rain in Eastern Myanmar areas.

Modric, Defoe and Adebayor on target as Adam and Skrtel red cards sum up dreadful day for Dalglish

Tottenham's Jermain Defoe is challenged by Liverpool's Daniel Agger



Tottenham 4-0 Liverpool

LONDON, 18 Sept—Emmanuel Adebayor scored twice on his home debut as Tottenham Hotspur hammered four past nine-man Liverpool to earn a morale-boosting first home win of the season.

Luka Modric opened the scoring with a blistering 20-yard strike before Charlie Adam picked up a second yellow card for a late foul on Scott Parker.

Martin Skrtel, who had a torrid afternoon at right-back thanks to Gareth Bale, was sent off for a second booking in the second half before Jermain Defoe calmly slotted home to make it 2-0 in the 66th minute.

Adebayor, who scored on his debut against Wolverhampton Wanderers last week, scored a tap-in soon after before he volleyed past Jose Reina to seal the win in stoppage time.

Fresh off the back of last week's first win of the season, Tottenham looked a class apart against their top-four rivals, but their cause was helped by the two dismissals.

Right from the kick-off it looked like there was only ever going to be one winner.

After his team's midweek trip to Greece, Harry Redknapp reverted to the same XI that beat Wolves and they stamped their dominance on the match from the whistle.

Adebayor brushed past his marker to gain a yard in the box but miscued his volley wide from 10 yards. Daniel Agger then blocked Defoe's goal-bound shot before Modric brought White Hart Lane to its feet with his blistering opener after six minutes.—*Internet*

Myanmar TV

Monday, 19 September
View on today

7:00 am
1. Paritta By Venerable Mingun Sayadaw

7:15 am
2. Dhamma Puja Song

7:25 am
3. To Be Health Exercise

7:30 am
4. Morning News

7:40 am
5. Documentary

7:50 am
6. Nice & Sweet Song

8:00 am
7. Health Programme

8:10 am
8. Song Of National Races

8:20 am
9. Cute Little Dancers

8:30 am
10. Selected Songs for 18th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions (2011) (Modern Song) (Higher Education) (Level Women)

8:40 am
11. International News

8:45 pm
12. Musical Programme

3:15 pm
1. AFF U-19 Championship 2011 (Live)(SEMI FINAL) (Myanmar Vs Thailand)

5:15 pm
2. Myanmar Idol

6:00 pm
3. Evening News

6:15 pm
4. Weather Report

6:20 pm
5. Sing & Enjoy

7:00 pm
6. TV Drama Series

8:00 pm
7. News
8. International News
9. Weather Report
10. 18th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions (2011) Interview (Song)
11. World's Stars
12. TV Drama Series
13. India Drama Series

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Programme Schedule (19-9-2011) (Monday)

Transmissions		Times
Local	-	(09:00am ~ 11:00am)MST
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Public-Private Partnership Meeting focuses on paddy cultivation, production

Union Minister for Commerce U Win Myint participates in Public-Private Partnership Meeting with participation of government departments and entrepreneurs.

MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Sept—The Public-Private Partnership Meeting took place at the hall of the Ministry of Commerce, here, at 10 am today.

In the discussions, Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing explained development of rice and paddy production, benefit for farmers through paddy cultivation, emergence of quality paddy seed production companies, provisions of paddy dryers and combined harvesters for improving rice quality and assistance of rice and paddy companies for farmers to enjoy benefits from rice sales.

Union Minister for National Planning and Economic Development and for Livestock and Fisheries U Tin Naing Thein discussed rural development and poverty alleviation, investment in rice and paddy sector, and formation of farmers' groups as companies.

Union Minister for Commerce U Win Myint focused on domestic trade, foreign trade for export and import matters, fair benefits among cultivators, consumers and traders, plans for trade and future tasks.

Deputy Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Ohn Than discussed formation of agricultural development committee, enhancement of crop cultivation and production, production of paddy seeds, more use of fertilizer, cooperation in technology and necessary assistance for farmers.

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Prize-presentation for second-round sports events of Nay Pyi Taw Champion Challenge Cup Tournament held

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Sept—Prize-presentation for boxing final and second-round sports events of 2011 Nay Pyi Taw Challenge Cup Tournament was held at Paunglaung Gymnasium in Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana here this morning.

In the men's boxing finals, Yan Myo Aung (Yangon Club) stood first in 46-Kilo weightlifting event and Tun Tun Aung (Yangon Club) in 56-Kilo weightlifting event.

Director-General of Sports and Physical Education Department U Thaung Htaik and personnel awarded first, second and third prize winners in weightlifting, boxing, and chess contests.

Deputy Minister U Aye Myint Kyu presented prizes to winners of 62-Kilo, 69-Kilo, 56-Kilo and 52-Kilo men's weightlifting contest and men's individual chess contest.

Next, Chairman of Myanmar National Sports Committee Union Minister for Sports U Tint Hsan awarded first, second and third prize winners in men's 50-Kilo, and 56-Kilo men's weightlifting contest, and men's 46-Kilo, and 49-Kilo boxing events.

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Int'l forum on cyber security kicks off in Hungary

BUDAPEST, 18 Sept—An international forum on cyber security kicked off on Saturday, drawing over 1,000 internet security experts to the Hungarian capital.

The two-day event, first held in 2003, has become the largest gathering of its kind in Central and Eastern Europe with seminars as well as live demo presentations, workshops and hacker games.

Keynote speakers include Peter Szor, the Hungarian-born "father of virus protection" from Los Angeles and Raoul Chiesa from Italy, one of Europe's most prominent cyber protection and cyber crime experts. Szor explained how computer malware threats are fighting back against anti-virus products, and how quickly new techniques evolve on new platforms such as mobile malware.

The Hacktivity 2011 programms also has a 45-minute "Hello Workshop" which invites participants to take part in exercises such as reverse engineering, mobile security and digital certificates.—*Xinhua*

BPL Results
18th Sunday, 2011

Tottenham	4-0	Liverpool
Fulham	2-2	Man City
Sunderland	4-0	Stoke
Man Utd	3-1	Chelsea

Top Scorers

Player	Goals	Penalties
Rooney	9	1
Kun Agüero	8	0
Edin Dzeko	6	0
Adebayor	3	0
Ivan Klasnic	3	0

Manchester United stretched their lead at the top of the Barclays Premier League by beating Chelsea

MANCHESTER, 18 Sept—United went in front after eight minutes when Ashley Young floated a free-kick to the far post, where Chris Smalling rose unopposed to power home from six yards. After 37 minutes Nani unleashed an unstoppable 25-yard shot that flew past Petr Cech and into the top corner. The home side increased their advantage in the final minute of the half as Phil Jones led another surging raid and when John Terry's clearance bounced off Nani, Rooney was presented with a tap-in for his ninth goal of the season. But just 30 seconds after the break Nicolas Anelka slid a pass through to Fernando Torres, who got behind Jones and slotted home with ease for only his second goal since that British record move from Liverpool in January. There could have been plenty more goals as Rooney slipped as he took a penalty which flew wide. Nani and Rooney both ht the woodwork while Torres missed an open goal and Dimitar Berbatov squandered a late golden chance.

Internet