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NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) General Soe Win received a Thai delegation led by Commander of 3rd Army Area of Royal Thai Armed Forces Lt-Gen Charnchainarong Dhanarun at Zeyathiri Beikman here this evening.

Present together with the Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services were General Hla Htay Win of the Office of the Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services, Lt-Gen Aung Than Htut and Lt-Gen Thet Naing Win of the Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army), Chief of Staff (Navy) Rear-Admiral Thura Thet Swe, Chief of Staff (Air) Maj-Gen Khin Aung Myint and Myanmar Military Attaché to Thailand Col Win Maung. Together with the Commander of 3rd Army Area of Royal Thai Armed Forces were Deputy Commander of 1st Army Area Maj-Gen Paiboon Komchaya, Deputy Commander of 3rd Army Area Maj-Gen Prakan Cholayuth, Deputy Commander of 4th Army Area Maj-Gen Kittit Intason, Deputy Commander of 3rd Naval Area Command RADM Suangsang Bindusmita, Director of Thai-Myanmar Cooperation Centre Maj-Gen Wannawasi Wongthai, Head of Thai-Myanmar Cooperation Centre Maj-Gen Sumphan

Srirajbuapan, Deputy Director of Border Affairs Department Maj-Gen Uthai Parn Sanay and Thai Military Attaché to Myanmar Col Pachern Chaikij.

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Our Three Main National Causes

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

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Nay Pyi Taw Radio Myanmar to air matriculation examination results for poor transport areas

NAY PYI TAW, 9 June—Nay Pyi Taw Radio Myanmar will broadcast the results of matriculation examination held in March 2012 for region and state exam centres with poor transport.

These exam centres are Tanai, Machanbaw, Putao, Nagmon, Phakant, Karmaing, Sumprabum, Chipwe and Shinbweyan in Kachin State, Papun, Kya-in-Seikkay and Kamamoung in Kayin State, Kanpetlet, Matupi, Rezwa, Lailinpi, Mindat and Paletwa in Chin State, Gwa, Kyeintali, Zayatkonkhin and Manauing in Rakhine State, Momeik, Namhsam (North), Monghsat, Mongkai, Kunlong, Mongton, Mongping, Mongyan, Maukmai,

Mongyawng, Kehsi Manhsan, Mongnawng, Kunhing, Hopan, Mongkhat, Mongpan, Mongphyat, Mabein, NgaO, Mongshu, Tonghon, Mantong and Laukkai in Shan State, Palaw, Palauk, Pala and Bokpyin in Taninthayi Region, Pauk, Yaypyar, Htilin, Saw, Laungshe, Kyaukhtu, Sedoktara and Ngape in Magway Region and Cocogyun in Yangon Region. The result of the examination will be broadcast by Nay Pyi Taw Radio Myanmar beginning 8 am on 9 June (Saturday), through 50.71 metre, 5915 KiloHz shortwave and 50.12 meter, 5985 KiloHz shortwave and 411.52 meter, 729 kiloHz medium wave.

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Matriculation exam results come out

NAY PYI TAW, 9 June—The results of matriculation examination held in March, 2012 are issued at 6 am today. Those results are posted at respective exam centers in townships/regions and states.

Moreover, the results of matriculation exam for other regions and states except Yangon Region are announced at No.1 Basic Education High School (Insein), No.1 BEHS (Yankin), No.3 BEHS (Kamayut), No.1 BEHS (Lanmadaw), No.2 BEHS (Dagon) and No. 1 BEHS (Thingangyun), according to Myanmar Board of Examination.

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New brain target for appetite control identified



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Back at No 1, Sharapova to face Errani in final



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Sara Errani of Italy celebrates winning her semi final match against Samantha Stosur of Australia at the French Open tennis tournament in Roland Garros stadium in Paris, on 7 June, 2012.

Premier League stars ready to light up Euro 2012



Man Utd's Patrice Evra may face Stewart Downing & Steven Gerrard of Liverpool in Ukraine.

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Dutch players hear monkey chants at training



Netherlands soccer players attend a training session during the Euro 2012 at Wisla stadium in Krakow on 6 June, 2012.

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Noteworthy amounts of rainfall (8-6-2012)

Pyapon	(9.17) inches
Dawei	(8.78) inches
Myawady	(4.49) inches
Kungyangon	(3.94) inches
Thaton	(3.63) inches
Maubin	(3.54) inches
Launglon	(3.54) inches
Ye	(2.61) inches
Paung	(2.44) inches
Central Yangon	(2.37) inches
Yangon (Kaba-Aye)	(2.13) inches

PERSPECTIVES

Saturday, 9 June, 2012

Green economy

The UN has chosen 2012 as "International Year of Sustainable Energy for All" which has a special meaning for this particular year. It emphasizes the vitality of green economy while highlighting the sustainable use of energy resources.

Our country has been striving for the successful implementation of green economy and green development, present-day's new environmental conservation model, in accordance with the policy it has adopted and the laws it has enacted. Moreover, the country is also cooperating with the United Nations and its agencies, regional and international organizations and NGOs and INGOs in that regard.

Environmental conservation law came into force on 30 May 2012 as per the government's environmental conservation policy. The Environmental Conservation and Forestry Ministry is already drafting necessary bylaws and procedures and rules and regulations in cooperation with the respective experts and domestic and international organizations.

Some of the progresses of the country's environmental conservation works are: the adoption of Myanmar national environmental policy as an environmental issue which actually is a part of the living standard improvement action plan for the entire nation that will eventually ensure harmonious environment and ecological balance; the adoption of Myanmar environmental conservation program for the 21st century for sustainable development; and the drawing of national sustainable development strategy in pursuance of development in harmony with the environment.

The environmental conservation policy of the government covers the environmental conservation body and five special groups of the respective sectors. In addition, the Forestry Ministry has been reconstituted as the Environmental Conservation and Forestry Ministry along with a new department for environmental conservation whose main responsibility is the conservation of the entire environment of the country.

So every person of the human society has an important role in the green economy and green development which contributes to ecological sustainability, sustainable development, rural development and poverty reduction.



President of MGF U Tay Za presents Open Challenge Cup to winner Thein Naing Soe.—MNA

Union Mines Minister receives ROK guest

NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik met Executive Vice President Mr Andrew W.S. Shin of ILJIN Electric Co., Ltd of the Republic of Korea, at his office, here, this morning. At the call, they had a discussion on steps to be taken for exploration and production of copper and construction of copper refinery and enacting Mines law, regulations, investment procedures. Also present at the call were directors-general and managing directors of the Ministry of Mines.

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SWRR Ministry to cooperate with UN Habitat and Pact Myanmar in disaster risk reduction

NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—Relief and Resettlement Department signed MoUs with the UN Habitat and Pact Myanmar which are cooperating with the department in risk reduction works. Zabuthiri Hotel here yesterday morning, with an address by Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Deputy Minister U Phone Swe.

Director-General of the department U Soe Aung, Head of Agency Mr Srinivasa Popuri and Project Administrator Mr Thomas E. Hensleigh of Pact Myanmar signed MoUs before the deputy minister and



A ceremony to sign MoU between Relief and Resettlement Department and the UN Habitat and Pact Myanmar.—MNA

exchanged the notes. Mission Director Mr

Terry Myers of the USAID, Thomas E. Hensleigh spoke words of thanks.—MNA

Dy Cooperatives Minister inspects cooperatives works

NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—Deputy Minister for Cooperatives U Than Tun visited Mongzhen Agriculture and General Cooperative Limited in "Wa" Pengsai Village of Kengtung Township on 5 June. He met township authorities, War-veteran Cooperatives Syndicate and departmental

personnel at Mongphyat Cooperatives Department and visited Tachilek Eastern Commercial Cooperative Limited.

The deputy minister met with personnel of township cooperative department, the chairperson of the township cooperatives syndicate.

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Tiger Myanmar Amateur Open Golf Championship wraps up

YANGON, 8 June—The prize presentation for the Tiger Myanmar Amateur Open Golf Championship 2012, sponsored by Myanmar Brewery Ltd and organized by Myanmar Golf Federation, was held at Yangon Golf Club (Danyingon) in Insein Township this morning.

After the fourth round, Joint Secretary U Myo Tun of MGF presented gifts to Managing Director Mr Lim Yew Hoe of Myanmar Brewery Ltd, U Sein Lwin of Yangon Golf Club and officials of golf clubs from Bangladesh, Hong Kong, Malaysia and Thailand.

Managing Director Mr Lim Yew Hoe gave prizes to the winners in the daily best golfers.

Vice-President U Zaw Min of MGF and Patron Maj-Gen Win Hlaing (Rtd) presented prizes to the winners from the second to sixth positions.

MD Mr Lim Yew Hoe awarded first prize winner Myanmar selected golfer Thein Naing Soe with 278 in total.

President U Tay Za presented Tiger Myanmar Amateur Open Challenge Cup to first prize winner Thein Naing Soe.

The championship was jointly sponsored by Yangon Golf Club, Alpine Drinking Water, 100 Plus (Isotonic Drink) and managed by Han Event Management.—MNA

Myanmar victorious shooting team back from Malaysia

YANGON, 8 June—The victorious Myanmar shooting team led by President of Myanmar Shooting Federation U Htet Nyi arrived back here by air yesterday evening after taking part in the 36th SEA Shooting Championship 2012 held in Kuala Lumpur of Malaysia.

They were welcomed back here by officials of MSF.

Myanmar team secured two gold, three silver and three bronze medals. Lin Aung of Ministry of Sports bagged one gold in 50-m prone men's event, Lin Aung of Ministry of Sports, Aung Thura of Forestry and Aung Kyaw of Defence, one gold in the 50-m prone men's event, Maung Kyu (Ministry of Sports) one silver in the 50-m men's free pistol event, Lay Zar Zar Hline Myint (Forestry) one silver in the 25-m sport women's event, Lay Zar Zar Hline Myint (Forestry), Khin Pa Pa Soe (Education) and May Poe Wah one silver in the 25-m sport women's team event, Maung Kyu (Ministry of Sports), Moe Kyaw Kyaw (Ministry of Sports) and Nay Htet Aung (selection) one bronze in the 50-m free pistol men's team event, Than Than Saw (Forestry), Aye Aye Thin (A&I) and Thu Thu Kyaw (SWRR) one bronze in the 50-m prone women team's event, and Maung Kyu (Ministry of Sports), Moe Kyaw Kyaw (Ministry of Sports) and Nay Htet Aung (selection) one bronze in the 10-m air pistol men's team event.—MNA

School uniforms provided to students in Waingmaw, Gangaw

NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—Waingmaw Township Development Affairs Committee of Kachin State provided school uniforms to offspring of vendors and trishaw drivers at Sama Hall of the township General Administration Department in Waingmaw on 6 June

morning.

Officials presented 28 sets of school uniforms to 28 students.

A similar ceremony was held at Township GAD Office in Gangaw yesterday. Officials presented school uniforms to 136 students.

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SCO says "no" to interventionism

BEIJING, 8 June — When the leaders of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) member states concluded their latest summit on Thursday, they unanimously rejected military intervention as a way to resolve international hotspot issues. According to a statement that came after the summit, all SCO member countries oppose military intervention in Syria and reject the idea of a regime change in the country.

The leaders also rejected the idea of using military means to solve the Iranian nuclear dispute, instead choosing to support dialogue and other diplomatic methods.

These heads of state have ample ground to make

an appeal for peace and stability and to support their request for the peaceful settlement of these problems. Across the world, from the Middle East to north Africa, deadly conflicts and terrorist attacks are still resulting in innocent deaths, as many countries in these regions sunk into chaos last year. Being fully aware that their own countries' security and stability are closely associated with that of these troubled regions, the SCO leaders decided that peace can only be created through peaceful means.

It is a common experience in human history, both recent or remote, that meeting violence with violence can only beget more loss of life and spark hard-to-heal

hatred. More than a year has passed since NATO air forces began to drop bombs on Libya



The large group meeting of the 12th Meeting of the Council of Heads of Member States of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) is held at the Great Hall of the People in downtown Beijing, capital of China, on 7 June, 2012. —XINHUA

in order to drive its previous government out of power, but the country is still in chaos. Additionally, over ten years

have passed since the United States and its coalition partners ousted the Taliban regime in Afghanistan, a

country that shares borders with a number of SCO countries.

Xinhua

Slovenia to close embassies in four EU countries

LIJUBLJANA, 8 June — Slovenia will close its embassies in Sweden, Finland, Portugal and Ireland as part of its efforts to "reorganize the diplomatic network," said Foreign Minister Karl Erjavec on Thursday. President Danilo Turk has signed decrees to implement the closures, said Erjavec, stressing that such action is "to reorganize the diplomatic network" rather than simply closing the embassies and saving money.

It was reported that the Slovenian Foreign Ministry expected to save some 1.8 million euros (2.27 million dollars) annually with the closure of some of its unnecessary embassies abroad. In addition to the four embassies, the Slovenian government also reportedly decided to close its general consulates in Dusseldorf, Germany, and New York, the United States.

Slovenia, which declared independence from former Yugoslavia in 1991, established current diplomatic network with an aim to facilitate the new-born country in joining the European Union and other international organizations, according to government officials. —Xinhua



Chinese President Hu Jintao (R) shakes hands with his Afghan counterpart Hamid Karzai during a welcoming ceremony at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, capital of China, on 8 June, 2012. —XINHUA

China, Afghanistan declaration rejects "three forces"

BEIJING, 8 June — China and Afghanistan expressed "strong rejection" of the "three forces" of terrorism, extremism, separatism and organized crime in a joint declaration released here on Friday after talks between Chinese President Hu Jintao and Afghanistan's President Hamid Karzai. The two sides agree to intensify exchanges and cooperation in security by way of jointly combating such transnational threats as terrorism, illegal immigration, illegal arms and drug trafficking, and enhancing intelligence exchanges and border management, said the declaration.

The two sides will also strengthen cooperation in prevention of infectious diseases, disaster prevention and reduction, and other non-traditional security areas, it said. The Chinese side firmly supports Afghanistan's efforts in combating terrorism and drug trafficking and safeguarding national

stability, the declaration added, calling on the international community to support this cause.

The Afghan side reiterated its continued and firm support for China in combating the "three forces" of terrorism, extremism and separatism. It will take tangible measures to enhance the security of Chinese institutions and people in Afghanistan, according to the declaration. —Xinhua

US military says no big troop buildup in Asia Pacific

WASHINGTON, 8 June — The United States is not shifting big number of troops into the Asia Pacific region, but will try and upgrade its engagement with limited means and foster allies' participation, said Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Martin Dempsey on Thursday. At a Pentagon Press briefing, Dempsey said repositioning forces to the Asia Pacific is not the "essence of rebalancing" to that region, which the Obama administration is doing as the

wars in Iraq and Afghanistan wind down.

He said the strategy involves "three mores," including more interest, more engagement and more quality, and the US side is eyeing a troops presence there more at a rotational basis, rather than at permanent bases. Fresh off an Asian tour which included stops at Singapore, Thailand and the Philippines, Dempsey said regional countries mostly gave "positive feedback" to that approach, and the US side wants them to take a

bigger share of the burden.

"We're encouraging ASEAN [the Association of Southeast Asian Nations] to take a more active role, to be a unified voice for security issues in that region," he said. Dempsey is part of the Department of Defence delegation to the Shangri-La Dialogue in Singapore, and he went solo to Thailand and the Philippines after that, as Defence Secretary went on to visit Vietnam, India and Afghanistan.

Xinhua

Iran says its "natural" nuclear rights must be recognized by world powers

TEHERAN, 8 June — A senior advisor to Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei said the five permanent members of the UN Security Council plus Germany (P5+1) must recognize Iran's "natural right" to develop peaceful nuclear technology, the Press TV reported on Thursday. "Given that the Islamic republic has always proven its goodwill in nuclear talks and its commitment to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), the P5+1 must also recognize Iran's natural right to attain peaceful nuclear energy," Ali-Akbar Velayati was quoted as saying.

Velayati added that Iran's nuclear rights should be recognized also because the Islamic republic is a committed signatory to the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT), said the report. Iran's chief nuclear negotiator Saad Jalili wrote a letter to EU foreign policy chief Catherine Ashton over the upcoming nuclear talks to be held in Russia's capital Moscow, said Press TV. In his letter, Jalili "voiced doubts about the six world powers' determination to hold fruitful talks with Iran in

Moscow," according to the report.

"The Islamic Republic of Iran is ready to hold progressive talks for cooperation based on a clear logic and specific initiatives," he said. Jalili, who is also Iran's Supreme National Security Council (SNSC) Secretary, stated that unless the P5+1 gear up for meetings at experts and deputies level, holding further talks merely for the sake of discussions would be of no avail, said Press TV. The Baghdad talks on Iran's nuclear standoff concluded last month with a plan to hold another round of talks in Moscow on 18-19 June.

Meanwhile, China and Russia called for a peaceful resolution to Iran's nuclear issue through dialogue and negotiation, according to a joint statement released on Wednesday. The statement was issued during Russian President Vladimir Putin's three-day state visit to China, where he also attended the 12th Meeting of the Council of Heads of Member States of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization. —Xinhua

Former Tepco chief to be grilled over Fukushima disaster

TOKYO, 8 June — The former president of Fukushima plant operator Tokyo Electric Power Co faces questioning for the first time on Friday by a high profile investigative panel seeking to uncover the causes of the world's worst nuclear disaster since Chernobyl. Members of the panel appointed by parliament will likely grill Masataka Shimizu over whether he planned to abandon the tsunami-devastated Fukushima plant at the height of the crisis in March 2011, as reactors melted down and the situation was in danger of spinning out of control, threatening Tokyo itself.

Then-prime minister Naoto Kan and two other ministers handling the disaster response have told the panel that Shimizu had planned to withdraw all of his utility's workers as explosions rocked the plant and three reactors melted down, spewing radiation across northeast Japan. Shimizu, 67, was also widely criticized for vanishing from public view three days after the disaster struck. He was later hospitalized for dizziness and high blood pressure, leaving the utility's chairman to supervise operations during his absence. —Reuters



Workers stand near the No. 4 reactor building at the Tokyo Electric Power Co's (TEPCO) tsunami-crippled Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant in Fukushima prefecture on 26 May, 2012. —REUTERS

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Amazon updates low-end Kindle reader

SEATTLE, 8 June—Amazon says an update to its low-end non-touchscreen Kindle reader will improve readers' experience by providing crisper text with higher contrast.

The software update for the \$79 Kindle will be delivered automatically to users' devices or they can manually download the update from Amazon's Web

site, CNET.com reported on Tuesday.

In addition to the more readable font, the update provides Parental Controls that can restrict access to the Experimental Web Browser, Archived Items and the Kindle Store, Amazon said.

Books with complex layouts and formats and comic books using Kindle Panel View will be supported



with the update, and improved table and image viewing, including panning and zooming, will be available on supported titles, Amazon said.—Internet

Facebook to allow kids under 13?

NEW YORK, 8 June—Facebook is said to be developing technology to allow children under age 13 to access the social network, *The Wall Street Journal* reported.

Facebook is building mechanisms to connect children's accounts to those of their parents, with the parents retaining the power to decide who their kids can "friend" on the social networking giant and what applications they can use, sources who said they've talked to Facebook executives told the Journal.

Facebook, with about 900 million users worldwide, currently does not allow anyone under age 13 to have an account, although it has no mechanism to identify someone who may be reporting their age, *Wired.com* reported.

A large portion of Facebook's income is derived through games from companies like Zynga, built to run on the Facebook platform, sure to be attractive to younger children should they be allowed to have Facebook accounts.

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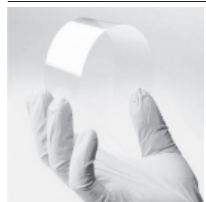
Pricing to follow trends in communication

NEW YORK, 8 June—US telephone industry experts say pricing for voice calling is shifting to reflect what phones are less and less apt to do, which is to make phone calls.

"The industry's definitely moving towards unlimited [phone calls]," AT&T Mobility Chief Executive Officer Ralph de la Vega said.

"Especially as more people adopt smartphones that have voice capabilities over the Internet, segmented voice plans will become less relevant."

Placing a phone call to speak to someone else now has competition with Internet services, such as Skype. In addition, sending a text message is taking up more and more of a phone's function away from the basic voice-oriented phone call.—Internet



CORNING, 8 June—Corning says its new Willow Glass, an ultra-thin, flexible

Thin, bendable glass for devices shown

glass, could revolutionize the shape and form of next-generation consumer electronic technologies. The maker of thin, tough Gorilla Glass already found in many smartphone and mobile devices said its thinness, strength and flexibility has the potential to enable displays to be "wrapped"

around a device or structure.

It can be used to develop conformable, curved displays for immersive viewing or mounting on non-flat surfaces, a Corning release said on Monday. "Displays become more pervasive each day and manufacturers strive to make both portable devices and larger displays thinner,"

Dipak Chowdhury, Willow Glass programme director, said. Willow Glass is reported to be about 100 microns thick — about the thickness of a sheet of printer paper — as flexible as plastic and scratch-resistant. The glass could also find uses in flexible solar cells and lighting, Corning said.

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Google buys Meebo and Quickoffice

SANTA MONICA, 8 June—US search engine firm Google said it had gone on a small shopping spree on Monday and Tuesday, buying two Silicon Valley companies.

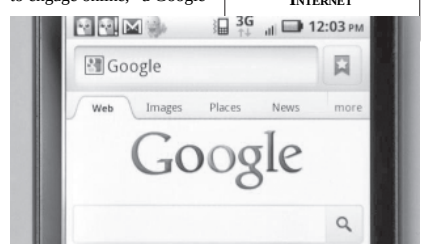
ABC News said that Google purchased instant messaging firm Meebo for what All Things D estimated was about \$100 million.

That was Monday. On Tuesday, Google made another purchase, buying Quickoffice, a firm that develops applications for both Android and Apple iOS operating systems.

"With the Meebo team's expertise in social publisher tools, we believe they will be a great fit with the Google+ team."

We look forward to closing the transaction and working with the Meebo team to create more ways for users

to engage online," a Google



A Motorola Droid phone displays Google's homepage.

INTERNET

spokesman said.

In an online posting, Google Engineering Director Alan Warren said, "Today, consumers, businesses and schools use Google Apps to get stuff done from anywhere, with anyone and on any device."

Quickoffice has an established track record of enabling seamless interoperability with popular file formats, and we'll be working

on bringing their powerful technology to our Apps product suite."

Google did not release financial details of the purchases.

Regardless, "the fact that Google realizes they need to buy instead of build is, in a sense, a refreshing sign of business maturity," said Patrick Moorhead, market analyst at Moor Insights & Strategy.—Internet

Migrating hummingbirds losing flowers

WASHINGTON, 8 June—Hummingbirds migrating north from Central America may be finding the flowers they depend on for nectar unavailable because of climate change, scientists say.

The glacier lily that graces mountain meadows throughout western North America flowers early in spring, when the first bumblebees and hummingbirds appear—or it used to, researchers said.

The problem, they said, is that they are blooming earlier with warming temperatures and are no longer synchronized with the arrival of broad-tailed hummingbirds, who are finding many of the flowers withered away and their nectar-laden blooms gone with them.

The first blooms have



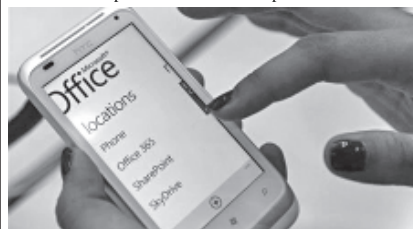
Broad-tailed hummingbird.—INTERNET

been appearing about 17 days earlier than they did in the 1970s, a release from the National Science Foundation reported.—Internet

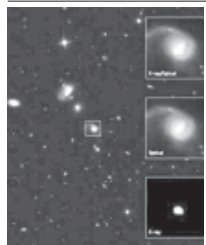
HTC says devices in compliance with US ruling

TAIPEI, (China), 8 June—Taipei smartphone maker HTC Corp said on Thursday its new models are in compliance with the International Trade Commission's ruling, in response to Apple Inc's latest patent lawsuit brought against HTC.

"The US Customs office has reviewed and approved HTC devices for import into the US, as they are in compliance with the ITC's ruling," HTC said in a statement. Media reported late on Wednesday that Apple filed an enforcement action at the International Trade Commission in Washington, seeking an emergency order that would block imports of HTC's newest phones and tablet computers.—Reuters



A visitor plays with a HTC Radar smartphone at the Windows Phone section at the Microsoft booth during the 2012 Computex exhibition at the TWTC Nangang exhibition hall in Taipei in this 5 June, 2012 file photograph.—REUTERS



Galaxy CID-42 likely contains a massive black hole being ejected at several million miles per hour. The main panel is a wide-field optical image of CID-42 and the area around it.—INTERNET

Black hole 'evicted' from host galaxy?

CAMBRIDGE, 8 June—US astronomers say they've seen evidence a massive black hole is being ejected from its host galaxy at several million miles per hour.

"It's hard to believe that a supermassive black hole weighing millions of times the mass of the sun could be moved at all, let alone kicked out of a galaxy at enormous speed," said Francesca Civano of the Harvard-Smithsonian Centre for Astrophysics, who led the study.

Observations from NASA's Chandra X-ray Observatory suggest the black hole collided and merged with another black hole and received a powerful recoil kick from gravitational wave radiation resulting from the collision sufficient to push the merged black hole out of the galaxy.

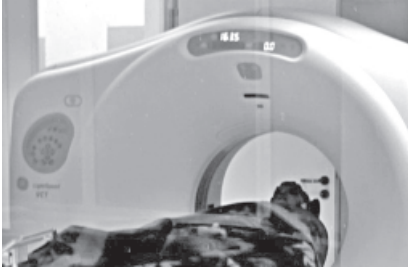
"[These] new data support the idea that gravitational waves—ripples in the fabric of space first predicted by Albert Einstein but never detected directly

— can exert an extremely powerful force," Civano said in a release from the Chandra headquarters in Cambridge, Mass. The finding could mean there are giant black holes roaming undetected out in the vast spaces between galaxies, researchers said.

"These black holes would be invisible to us," study co-author Laura Blecha said, "because they have consumed all of the gas surrounding them after being thrown out of their home galaxy."—Internet

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CT scans in childhood increase cancer risk: study



A youth undergoes a CT Scan at a hospital. Children exposed to multiple CT scans could be up to three times likelier to contract cancer of the blood, brain or bone marrow later in life, according to research published on Thursday.—INTERNET

LONDON, 8 June—Children exposed to multiple CT scans could be up to three times likelier to contract cancer of the blood, brain or bone marrow later in life, according to research published on Thursday.

Writing in The Lancet medical journal, a team of scientists in Canada, Britain and the United States said the cancer risk, in absolute terms, appears to be small.

But they appealed for radiation doses from CT scans to be kept at a minimum and for alternatives to be used

where appropriate.

The researchers claimed their study was the first to provide direct evidence of a link between exposure from CT radiation in childhood and later cancer risk. "Of utmost importance is that where CT is used, it is only used where fully justified from a clinical perspective," said lead author Mark Pearce of Newcastle University's Institute of Health and Society. As a vital diagnostic technique, use of the CT scan has increased rapidly in the past 10 years, particularly in the United

States, the researchers said.

"However, potential cancer risks exist due to the ionising radiation used in CT scans, especially in children who are more radiosensitive than adults." Computerized tomography — commonly known as CT — is an X-ray technique that produces images of the body's internal structures in cross sections.

The researchers studied nearly 180,000 people who underwent a CT scan as children or young adults (under 22) in Britain between 1985 and 2002. Of these, 74 were subsequently diagnosed with leukaemia and 135 with brain cancer according to data for the period 1985 to 2008.

The team calculated that compared to patients who received a radiation dose of less than five milli-Grays (mGy), those who were given a cumulative dose of 30 mGy had about three times the risk of developing leukaemia (cancer of the blood or marrow) later in life. Those who received 50 to 74 mGy had thrice the risk of brain tumours.

The study did not compare children who had been scanned against those

who had not been scanned.

Put into context, this means that among every 10,000 patients who received one CT scan before the age of 10, there would be one extra case of leukaemia and one extracranial tumour per 10 mGy of radiation in the 10 years after exposure. "Further refinements to allow reduction in CT doses should be a priority, not only for the radiology community, but also for manufacturers," said Pearce.

"Alternative diagnostic procedures that do not involve ionising radiation exposure, such as ultrasound and MRI (magnetic resonance imaging) might be appropriate in some clinical settings." Commenting on the study, Andrew Einstein of the Columbia University Medical Centre in New York said Pearce and his colleagues' work confirmed that CT scans "almost certainly produce a small cancer risk". "Use of CT scans continues to rise, generally with good clinical reasons, so we must redouble our efforts to justify and optimise every CT scan."

Internet



The next generation of Toshiba's business Ultrabook, the Portege Z930, now supports new 3rd generation Intel Core i5 and Core i7 processors with vPro and AMT technology.—INTERNET

Health Tip: Signs that you have a hearing problem

Hearing loss is among the most common conditions in older people, the Cleveland Clinic says, affecting about one-third of people 60 or older and half of those older than 85.

Do you have the condition? Here is the clinic's list of possible warning signs:

- * Difficulty hearing people on the telephone.
- * Problems hearing when there is background noise.
- * Straining to follow a conversation.
- * Thinking that most people are mumbling, and frequently asking others to repeat themselves.
- * Frequently misunderstanding what others say.
- * Difficulty understanding children and women, or needing to turn the TV volume up very loud.
- * Frequently hearing a hissing, roaring or ringing sound.

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Officials: Fed may need to take new action

WASHINGTON, 8 June—The US economic recovery risks being derailed and the Federal Reserve might have to take new actions to support growth, three Fed officials said. "The balance of risks" appears "tilted toward a weaker economy," Fed Vice Chairwoman Janet Yellen said in Boston on Wednesday night, pointing to the possibility inflation would drop below the Fed's 2 percent goal or economic growth would slow.

She said she was convinced the Fed should "provide further policy accommodation," either with assurances interest rates would stay low or by expanding the central bank's already sizable holdings of long-term securities. Yellen's views are often similar to those of Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke, The Washington Post said. Bernanke was scheduled to testify before Congress Thursday. The presidents of the Federal Reserve Banks of Atlanta and San Francisco separately expressed concerns on Wednesday.

Atlanta eurozone turmoil could derail the US economic recovery. "I am giving more weight and higher probability to a negative influence on our economy coming from Europe," Atlanta

Fed President Dennis Lockhart said in a speech in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. If modest economic growth is no longer a realistic goal, then "further monetary actions to support the recovery will certainly need to be considered," he said.

San Francisco Fed President John Williams said he was concerned not just about the European sovereign-debt crisis, but also about federal government spending cuts, which he said could hurt the US economy. "The turmoil in Europe and government fiscal retrenchment in the United States raise the danger that the economy could perform worse than I expect," Williams said in a speech in Bellevue, Wash. Fed officials' next policy-making meeting is to take place 19-20 June. A Fed report released Wednesday ahead of that meeting pointed to concerns businesses will cut back on hiring and investing due to uncertainties about US political and fiscal outlook, as well as the eurozone crisis.

But it also said the US "economic outlooks remain positive." Still, the "beige book" — a compilation of anecdotal reviews of the economy from the 12 regional Federal Reserve districts — said "contacts were slightly more guarded in their optimism." —Internet

Android phones hold half of market

RESTON, 8 June—Android owns half the US smartphone market, with 50.8 percent of devices running Google's mobile platform, a market research company says.

That figure from April is an increase from the 48.6 percent at the start of the year, the report of mobile market data from comScore said.



In April, Apple's iOS claimed 31.4 percent of the market, trailed by Research In Motion's BlackBerry at 11.6 percent, Microsoft's Windows Mobile/Windows Phone at 4 percent and Symbian at 1.3 percent, mediapost.com reported.

The April survey found more than 107 million Americans owned smartphones, a 6 percent increase from January.—Internet

Honda Fit gets highest EPA fuel rating



TORRENCE, 8 June—The US Environmental Protection Agency has given the 2013 Honda Fit EV its highest ever fuel efficiency rating, the company said on

Wednesday.

The EPA bestowed a combined city and highway driving rating of 118 miles per gallon, topping the previous best 112 mpg earned by the Mitsubishi i-MiEV.

Third on the list is the Ford Focus EV with a combined rating of 105 mpg. The Nissan Leaf is next with a 99 mpg combined rating.

The Fit can run 100 miles on 29 kilowatt hours and was given an EPA annual fuel cost estimate of \$500.

"Just as important ...," said Steve Centre, vice president of the American Honda Environmental Business Development Office, "the 2013 Fit EV will be an absolute kick to drive."

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Labour Department firms labour cost estimate

WASHINGTON, 8 June—Labour productivity in non-farm businesses fell at a 0.9 percent annual rate during the first quarter, the US Bureau of Labour Statistics said on Wednesday. The 0.9 percent drop in the first three months of 2012 is a revision from a month ago, when the decline was estimated at 0.5 percent.

With current data, productivity from the first quarter of 2011 to the first quarter of this year increased

0.4 percent, a revision from the previous estimate of 0.5 percent.

The decline reflects an increase of 3.3 percent in hours worked, up from 2.2 percent in the previous report, and a 2.4 percent increase in output, down from 2.8 percent in the previous estimate, the Labour Department's statistical office said in a release. Bureau data indicated unit labour costs in non-farm businesses rose 1.3 percent in the first quarter

compared with the fourth quarter of last year, down from the 2 percent reported a month earlier. Hourly compensation in the quarter increased 0.4 percent, down from a previous estimate of 1.5 percent.

From the first quarter of 2011, unit labour costs rose 0.9 percent. Manufacturing sector productivity rose by 5.2 percent in the first quarter with output up 10 percent and hours worked up 4.6 percent.

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Stephanie Stahl reports on PEDESTAL, a new training lab for CHOP's surgeons. INTERNET



Parents greet students coming out of a high school after the first test of the National College Entrance Exams in Nanjing, Jiangsu Province on 7 June, 2012. About three out of four applicants of China's annual national college entrance exam, the largest in the country and the world, will be admitted by universities, with the exam contents highly guarded by armed police and surveillance cameras, Xinhua News Agency reported.—REUTERS

H5N1 bird flu reported in NW China

BEIJING, 8 June — China's northwestern Gansu Province has reported an outbreak of the highly epidemic H5N1 bird flu virus in poultry, the Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) announced on Wednesday. More than 6,200 chickens at a farm in a village in Luyang, a town in Jingtai county, showed symptoms of suspected avian flu on Friday, and 260 of them have died,

according to the MOA.

The National Avian Influenza Reference Laboratory on Tuesday confirmed the epidemic was H5N1 bird flu after testing samples collected at the farm, the MOA said. Local authorities have sealed off and sterilized the infected area, where a total of 18,460 chickens have been culled and safely disposed of in order to prevent the disease from

spreading since the case was confirmed, according to the MOA.

A team was dispatched by the ministry to the quarantined area to guide epidemic prevention and monitoring. Bird flu, or avian influenza, is a contagious disease of animal origin caused by viruses that normally infect only birds and, less commonly, pigs. It can be fatal to humans.—Xinhua

Battery fluid leak may be a factor in China car fire

BEIJING, 8 June—Flammable fluids leaking from a BYD electric car battery might have contributed to a fire following a high-speed fatal crash in China last month, a BYD executive told Reuters. However, Stella Li, senior vice president of Warren Buffett-backed Chinese battery and car producer BYD Co, defended the safety of electric cars the company designs and sells in China. Police are still investigating the crash, which occurred in Shenzhen, China, early on the morning of 26 May when a Nissan GT-R sports car travelling at least 180 kilometres per hour (110 mph) crashed into the BYD e6 taxi which later caught fire, according to BYD. The taxi driver and two passengers died.

"No car company could

design an electric car or a gasoline-fueled car that could withstand a 180-kph crash, especially from being slammed from the backside," Li said in an interview this week. The BYD executive said it will likely be weeks, if not months, before police can say anything conclusive, if at all, on the cause of the fire. But she said there is "a big chance" that liquid electrolyte — one of the three primary functional components in a battery — may have leaked after the crash.

Those liquids may have caught fire, ignited by sparks from high-voltage cables or screeching wheels, said Li, who runs BYD's US operations in Los Angeles. BYD has sold about 500 e6 cars in China since last year, with at least half of them sold to taxi operators and other

fleet customers. The accident has triggered fears among some investors that automakers were overconfident about the safety of energy-packed batteries powering electric cars, and could be a talking point at BYD's annual shareholders' meeting on Friday in Shenzhen.

News reports and photos of the crash were widely circulated in China, and BYD's shares fell to a seven-month low on 28 May, the first trading day after the crash. Some industry insiders worry the Shenzhen accident may impact more than just BYD's electric car future. Photos of the burned e6 taxi are "so sensational," said a chief engineer at Toyota, which uses a different type of battery in its hybrid electric vehicles.—Reuters

Police seize 20 kg of heroin, arrest 5 after smashing Sydney-based heroin syndicate

SYDNEY, 8 June — Five people have been arrested after police smashed a Sydney-based heroin syndicate, the New South Wales Police said on Thursday. About 20 kilograms of heroin were seized after Australian Customs and Border Protection and the Australian Federal Police intercepted a shipping container from Thailand, police said.

In side the container, Customs officers found the heroin wrapped in newspaper inside sports bags that had been concealed in two separate boxes. Police searched seven properties at Sydney's west and southwest and arrested five alleged members of the drug syndicate in Sydney on Wednesday. During the raids police seized prohibited firearms, drugs, ammunition and cash.—Xinhua

DEA makes smuggling arrests in Puerto Rico airport

SAN JUAN, (Puerto Rico), 8 June — US federal agents swept through Puerto Rico's largest airport and other areas early on Wednesday, arresting dozens of baggage handlers, airline workers and others suspected of smuggling millions of dollars' worth of cocaine aboard commercial flights for at least a decade. Tourists gawked when agents with the US Drug Enforcement Administration arrested one suspect as he arrived to work at the Luis Munoz Marin airport in San Juan. At least 33 people were arrested in Puerto Rico, along with two workers at Miami's international airport and another at the Dallas-Fort Worth airport, the DEA said.

Those arrested are suspected of belonging to two

Puerto Rico-based drug trafficking organizations that worked with each other, including one that was run by a woman, officials said. "We have dismantled the two most significant drug operations at the airport," said Pedro Janer, acting special agent in charge of the DEA's Caribbean division. The suspects are accused of helping move some 14 tons (13 metric tons) of cocaine and several pounds (kilogrammes) of heroin from Puerto Rico to several US cities including Miami, New York, Boston and Newark, New Jersey, according to the DEA. One group operated from 1999 to 2009 and the other from 2010 to 2012, the DEA said.

The 45 suspects include 18 who worked for American



Drug Enforcement Administration officers escort a handcuffed suspect after his arrest on drug smuggling charges in San Juan, Puerto Rico, on 6 June, 2012.

INTERNET

Airlines and 19 who worked for Ground Motive Dependable, a local company that provides ramp and baggage services, US Attorney Rosa Emilia Rodriguez said. "They put the security of all passengers at risk," she said. DEA agents

also sought to arrest one employee with Cape Air and a government worker with Puerto Rico's Port Authority. One of the suspects arrested, Eugene Romero Santiago, also was the driver of Puerto Rico Sen.

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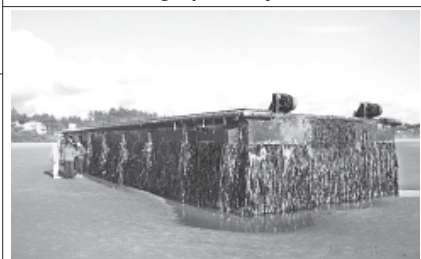
Nine paratroopers killed combating wildfire in Siberia

IRKUTSK, (Russia), 8 June — Nine firefighting paratroopers were killed on Wednesday while trying to put out a wildfire in Russia's Siberia, federal authorities said. Thirteen smokejumpers from the Russian Airborne Troops were dispatched to help extinguish the blaze, which erupted on a 500-hectare area in the Bairun-Khemchinsky forest district in Tuva republic, the Interfax news agency quoted the Russian Federal Forestry Agency as saying.

Four people came back from the scene, while the rest were killed, said the agency,

adding that an investigation has been launched into the tragedy. All of them had undergone training and had professional skills and experience, according to the federal body.

The wildfire poses no immediate threat to the Kara-Khol populated area, which is located 20 km away from the forest district, said the forestry agency. A severe wildfire situation has developed in Tuva. The republic has been under a state of emergency since 5 June, and federal authorities have sent about 100 firefighting paratroopers to help.—Xinhua



Oregon Parks and Recreation Department photograph shows a very large and heavy dock measuring 7' tall, 19' wide and 66' long that has washed ashore on Agate Beach one mile north of Newport, Oregon on 6 June, 2012. The Japanese consulate has confirmed that the dock washed ashore on Agate Beach is debris from the March 2011 tsunami in Japan. —REUTERS

South Africa to open breast milk bank for premature babies

JOHANNESBURG, 8 June — A breast milk bank will be opened to the prematurely-born babies in South Africa, the newspaper New Age reported on Wednesday. "The breast milk bank will improve the health and future of the premature babies," the paper reported, citing a dean in North West University in the northern province of the North West. The bank is newly

founded at Potchefstroom Hospital in the North West, jointly sponsored by North West University and the provincial government.

The bank will store the breast milk in plastic bottles and freeze it following collecting from women that have the breast milk in excess, and the milk will be donated to premature babies who have no access to breast milk, said

Dr Welma Lubba at the hospital. The doctor said the breast milk is not just food and contains the best and most nutritional value with an additional function of medicine.

The breast milk could act as a lubricant that will keep toxins out by sealing the stomach wall due to the premature babies intestines are easy to be perforated, the

baby expert said. The breast milk could even save the lives of babies, because some mothers of premature babies could not breast feed immediately, according to the doctor.

Before the distribution to other hospitals, the breast milk in the bank should meet a series of requirements, including sterilizing it and conducting necessary tests with an aim of having no HIV/AIDS or tuberculosis bacteria or virus.

Xinhua

Large bell under maintenance at monastery in Myingyan



MYINGYAN, 8 June—A large bronze bell is being kept at Minkyaung Monastery in Yantapo Village on the bank of Ayeyawady River in Myingyan for 135 years.

"The monastery built with the use of teak posts is also over 140 years old. According to the advices of successive abbots, the monastery is being maintained without losing its original style. The bronze bell was cast with the use of 13 coins of gold and 55 viss and seven ticals of bronze by wellwisher U Waing, Daw Le Yit, son Ko Paw and daughters Ma Hlaw and Ma Hsaw on fullmoon day of first Waso in 1239 Myanmar Era. The evidence can be found on the body of the large bell. I think as the bell was cast after completion of the monastery, so the monastery can be 10 years older than the bell. In coming fullmoon day of first Waso, the bell will be 135 years old," said 79 years old Minkyaung monastery Sayadaw Bhaddanta Sunanda of Yantapo Village.

The ring on the bell is moulded with statues of two lions and one dragon. A total of 46 garuda statues were cast around the brim of the bell.—Kyemon

Model plot of Palethwe paddy harvested in Yesagyo

YESAGYO, 8 June—A ceremony to harvest Palethwe hybrid paddy was held on 10 acres of farmer educative farm and 0.89 acre of land of farmer U Thant Soe in the irrigated area of Shwechaung river water pumping station in Yesagyo of Magway Region on 6 June.

Under the supervision of Staff Officer U Lin Myat Thu and staff of Township Settlement and Land Records Department, Head of Township Agriculture Department U Sein Maung and staff, the paddy participated in harvesting of paddy.

It was supervised by Acting Township Administrator U Soe Zeya Tun, Assistant



Director U Hla Myint of District Agriculture Department, Assistant Director U Aye Hauk Swam Mahn of District Settlement and Land Records Department and members of

District Agriculture Development Committee, Principal Mr Keisuke Fujii of OISCA Training School. Palethwe hybrid paddy produced 248.93 baskets per acre in dry status.—Kyemon

Motorcycles without licence get registration in Pyay

PYAY, 8 June—The illegal imported motorcycle are urged to pay fee for registration in Pyay Township of Bago Region (West) as of 5 June.

Staff members of Bago Region Directorate of Road Administration (Pyay) are giving services to the motorcycle owners for their conveniences with one stop service group.

A plan is laid down to register the motorcycles illegal imported from China, Thailand, India and Japan in 2012-2013 fiscal year, as of 5 June.

The registration period will last four months.

Htut Aung Lwin (Pyay)



Model plot of Palethwe paddy harvested in Meiktila

MEIKTILA, 8 June—A ceremony to harvest Palethwe hybrid paddy was held on 2.58 acres of farmland of farmer U Than Aung in Nyaunggaing Village of Meiktila on 5 June morning.

Deputy Commissioner U Sein Oak of District General Administration Department, Township Administrator U Kyaw Swe, Manager of Township Agriculture Department U San Lwin, district and township level departmental officials



and local farmers attended the paddy harvesting works.

After the harvesting,

160.79 baskets per acres of paddy could be produced from the model plot.

Kyemon

Thin bamboo strips of Yedashe sold to Kyaukse market

YEDASHE, 8 June—Thin bamboo strips made from Kyathauing and Tin bamboo strains cut from forest reserve are transported to

Kyaukse and Kume of Mandalay Region.

The local people from Seint, Chaunggwa, Ywathit and Paukchaung villages in Yedashe Township engaging in making thin bamboo strips join their works of making bamboo strips and mats beginning Tawthalin and Thadingyut yearly. They stop their works in the rainy season.

The thin bamboo strips are purchased by brokerages in Ward 6 of Yedashe and it is transported to Kyaukse.

After that, bamboo strip mats are sold to Kume.

"In a season, about 2000 bales weighing 20 viss each are transported to Kyaukse. The bamboo strips are used in betel plantations and sesame plantations. In the rainy season, they do not buy bamboo strips. It is because the strips should not be used in rain water," said a bamboo strip trader.

In the region, thin bamboo strip is sold at K 300-K 500 per viss.

Kyemon

DISTRICT NEWS

Micro-credit cooperative society constituted in Namkham

NAMKHAM, 8 June—With the aim of ensuring development of rural regions and alleviation of poverty in Namkham Township of Muse District in Shan State, a ceremony to constitute Shweli Star micro-

credit cooperative society formed with government service personnel and war veterans was held at the hall of the Township Cooperative Department on 27 May for development of cooperative tasks. At the

ceremony, Staff Officer U Hsam Mann explained the purpose of formation.

Next, the meeting formed the cooperative society with seven members of the Board of Directors.

Township Cooperative

MONTHLY VACCINATION: Midwife Daw Sanda Myint of rural health branch of Mayingyi Village of Pyisanaung Rural Health Centre in Zeyathiri Township vaccinates expectant mothers and children under two years from Nay Pyi Taw newspaper on 6 June. KHIN MAUNG WIN-KYEMON



Pe Tun Zaw (Yesagyo)

Production sharing contract over EP 5 inland block inked

NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise of the Ministry of Energy and Istech Energy EP5 Pte Ltd registered in Singapore and citizen-owned Smart Technical Services Limited signed a production sharing contract on inland oil block EP 5 at the ministry here yesterday.

The contract was signed by Managing Director of MOGE U Aung Htoo, Managing Director of Istech Energy EP5 Pte Ltd Mr Inder Singh and Managing Director of Smart Technical Services Limited Daw Yadana Su Hlaing in the presence of Union Minister for Energy U Than Htay, Chairman of Myanmar Investment Commission Union Minister for Industry U Soe Thein, Joint-Secretary of MIC Deputy Minister for Rail Transportation Thura U Thang Lwin, Deputy Attorney-General U Tun Tun Oo.

The contract was witnessed by Director-



Union Minister for Energy U Than Htay hands over work permit to Managing Director of Istech Energy EP 5 Pte Ltd Mr Inder Singh.—MNA

General of Energy Planning Department U Htin Aung, Director of Istech Energy EP 5 Pte Ltd Mr Howard Somai and General Manager of Smart Technical Services Limited Daw Mary Htoo.

Union Minister U Soe Thein presented the permit of MIC and Union Minister U Than Htay the permit of the Ministry of Energy to Mr

Inder Singh.

Ministry of Energy has invited tenders for 18 inland blocks and has accepted the offers of the international companies which are joint ventures with Myanmar companies as part of efforts for giving investment

opportunities and technology to Myanmar companies. Out of the inland blocks, EP 5 (Inpin Tegyigon area) is the sixth block for the production sharing with the joint venture companies.

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The 26th Myanmar-Thai Regional Border Committee Meeting in progress at Aye Thaya Hotel in Taunggyi, Shan State.—MNA



Free medical treatment given

NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—Jointly organized by Mon State Health Department and Shwe Parami Health Foundation, the free health care service was launched at Chaungzon, yesterday.

Mon State Minister for Social Affairs Dr Hla Oo, Chairman of Shwe Parami Health Foundation U Shein Win and State Advocate-General U Win Kyi formally opened the ceremony.

Patron of Shwe Parami

Health Foundation Shwe Parami Tawya Sayadaw Ashin Chandadhika and the Chairman explained purposes of establishing the foundation.

The free medical treatment is being given

by specialists from Yangon and doctors from Mon State and health staff from 7 to 9 June.

The state minister then viewed construction of Basic Education Primary School in Sawke Village and ring road in Balugyun of Chaungzon Township.

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Officials make field trips to grassroots level

NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—Chairman of Nay Pyi Taw Traffic Rules Enforcement Supervisory Committee member of Nay Pyi Taw Council U Saw Hla and members attended the demonstration on traffic rules in front of No 14 Basic Education High School in Zabuthiri Township this morning.

In Potet Village of Ottarathiri Township, they viewed undertakings of the rural development and poverty alleviation implementation committees in health, agriculture, livestock breeding and regional development in Nay Pyi Taw Council Area.

Later, they cordially greeted the local people.

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Librarian multiplier course opened in Pyinmana Township

NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—With the aim of culturing reading habit of rural people, the librarian multiplier course No. 1/2012 was opened at Pinyinna Alindan Library in Nyaungbintha Village of Pyinmana Township this morning.

Staff Officer of District Information and Public Relations Department U San Lwin Oo made a speech.

Altogether 30 trainees from Nyaungbintha, Htaukshabin, Nyaungbintha Ale, Theygun and Ohnbinu-Thayethkon villages attended the training course.

Deputy Head of Department of District IPRD Daw Aye Aye Khaing, Head of Zeyathiri Township IPRD Daw Mya Sann Yi and Librarian Daw Win Win Nu gave lectures to the trainees.

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Phaingchan Diversion Weir handed over in Tangyan

NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—A ceremony to hand over Phaingchan Diversion Weir was held in Ward 6 in Tangyan Township of Lashio District yesterday morning.

Phaingchan Diversion Weir is located on Namhong Creek of Ward 6 in Tangyan Township. Its embankment is 60 feet long and 10 feet high. The facility was built at a cost of K 38.5 million by the government.

Thanks to reconstruction of the diversion weir, the local farmers get sufficient irrigated water for 101 acres of summer and monsoon paddy in the township, and it can prevent floods at farmlands downstream of the creek and supply potable water for the local people.

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US Embassy Charge d' Affaires ai Mr Michael E. Thurston welcoming Director-General Daw Yin Yin Myint of Training, Research and Foreign Languages Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at the reception to mark 236th Anniversary Independence Day of the United States of America at his residence on Pyay Road, Yangon, on 8 June.—MNA



Poverty reduction tasks meets with success

NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—Thanks to the collaborative efforts of the sub-committee for boosting for livestock and fish and meat production and the sub-committee for cooperatives works, tasks for reducing poverty in rural areas have met with success, said Union Minister for Cooperatives and for Livestock and Fisheries U Ohn Myint yesterday.

During the work coordination meeting of the two committees at the ministry yesterday, the Union Minister stressed the need for establishing micro

credit schemes to borrow money to villagers in an attempt to support the capital of the villagers before public-owned micro credit schemes and village banks.

He also called on officials concerned for organizing people in rural areas to extend their livestock breeding including dairy farms to increase per capital income and extra income and to get jobs.

Afterwards, officials of the supporting committees for boosting the livestock breeding and meat and fish

production reported on their tasks for rural areas development and poverty reduction.

Deputy Minister for Cooperatives U Than Tun and Deputy Minister for Livestock and Fisheries U Khin Maung Aye discussed the reports of the supporting committees.

The Union Minister called for conducting courses in townships as part of efforts for educating the working groups. The meeting came to an end with concluding remarks by the Union Minister.—MNA

MITSUI Co., Ltd (Nay Pyi Taw) opens



NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—A ceremony to open MITSUI Co., Ltd (Nay Pyi Taw) was held at Thingaha Hotel in Nay Pyi Taw Hotel Zone, here, yesterday evening, with an address by Union Minister for Commerce U Win Myint.

It was attended by

Union Ministers, deputy ministers, departmental heads, Japanese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Takashi Saito, officials from Mitsui Co., Ltd and guests.

At the ceremony, CEO and President Mr Iijima Masami of MITSUI Co., Ltd

explained the opening of it. After that, Union Minister U Win Myint delivered a speech and resident representative Mr Masanari Nagai extended the greetings. A dinner was hosted to the guests, at Grand Ball Room in that Hotel.—MNA

V.O.A to make cooperation with City FM

YANGON, 8 June—Yangon Region Development Affairs Minister Yangon Mayor U Hla Myint received a delegation led by Director Mr David Ensor of Voice of America (V.O.A.), at this office

yesterday morning. At the meeting, they cordially discussed cooperation between V.O.A and City FM.

It was also attended by Charge d' Affaires ai Mr Michael E. Thurston of US Embassy, U Than Lwin Tun

of V.O.A Myanmar Programme, Secretary of Yangon City Development Committee U Kyaw Soe, member U Nyi Nyi and head of Public Relations and Information Department U Hla Myint Swe.—MNA

Business-wise meeting between Myanmar-Singapore entrepreneurs on 14 June

YANGON, 8 June—A business-wise meeting between Myanmar-Singapore entrepreneurs will be held at 2.30 pm on 14 June under the supervision of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry.

Matters related to mercantile trade, transport, electrical goods,

construction, engineering, banking, IT, natural energy, oil and gas, medicine, chemicals, heavy machinery, port services, education, timber and finished wood, services, road and bridge construction, textiles, estates, security equipment, mobile phone services, industrial development, agricultural

products, communications, hotels and tourism and building management will be discussed in business groups.

Those entrepreneurs wishing to take part in the discussions can contact UMFCFI (Ph; 214344-49, ext: 121, 122) or enroll not later than 13 June in person or by sending their representatives.—MNA

Discussions on health and spa works 12 June

YANGON, 8 June—A meeting of Myanmar entrepreneurs on health and spa works, organized by Department of International

Trade Promotion of the Ministry of Commerce of Thailand will be held at Chatrium Hotel on Natmauk Street, here, at 9 am on 12

June. The similar meeting will be held at Mandalay Hill Resort Hotel in Mandalay at 9 am on 14 June.—MNA

Union Minister for Environmental Conservation and Forestry receives foreign guests



Union Minister for Environmental Conservation and Forestry U Win Tun holds talks with Chairman of RECOFTC's Board of Trustees Mr Davids Cassells and party.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—Union Minister for Environmental Conservation and Forestry U Win Tun received a delegation led by Chairman of Thai-based (Regional Community Forestry Training Centre) RECOFTC's Board of Trustees Mr Davids Cassells and party, at his office, here, this morning.

The discussion is focused on long-term cooperation in promoting skills of staff and local people for full participation of local people in establishing local community-owned forests, and sending of

trainees.

Likewise, the Union Minister received Managing Officer Mr Tanaka of Yangon-based MITSUI & Co., Ltd and party and discussed establishment of forest plantations and bamboo plantations in depleted forests.

Also present at the call were director-general U San Lwin of Planning and Statistics Department and acting director-general U Aye Myint Maung of Forest Department.

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Mercy Corps proposes to cooperate with Health Ministry

NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—Union Minister for Health Dr Pe Thet Khin received Country Director Mr Paolo Cerati of the US-based Mercy Corps and party at his office here yesterday morning.

The guests proposed to cooperate with the ministry in the expectant, infant and child health care services, nourishment promotion

programme, potable water supply and environmental sanitation works signing MoU.

The Union Minister replied that the ministry was undertaking health care service works in cooperating with the social organization in the interests of the people, asking the guests to submit the detailed work plans to him after

coordinating with the personnel concerned.

Also present at the call were Deputy Health Minister Dr Daw Myat Myat Ohn Khin, Director-General of Medical Science Department Dr Than Zaw Myint, Acting Director-General Dr Min Than Nyunt of the Health Department and departmental personnel.

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Australian Foreign Affairs Minister concludes visit



YANGON, 8 June—A delegation led by Australian Foreign Affairs Minister Mr Bob Carr laid a wreath at Commonwealth War Cemetery in Sangyoung Township, here, at 8.45 am today.

They then left here by air in the evening.—MNA

Australian Foreign Affairs Minister Mr Bob Carr and party being seen off at Yangon International Airport by officials concerned.—MNA

Myanmar U-13 Team leaves for Ho Chi Minh City

YANGON, 8 June—The Myanmar U-13 Women's Football Team left Yangon International Airport at 10 am on 7 June to take part in the AFCU-13 Girls' Football Tournament 2012 to be held in Ho Chi Minh City of Vietnam.

The players of the team

were seen off at Yangon International Airport by General Secretary of Myanmar Football Federation U Tin Aung and in-charge of the women's sports teams Daw Myat Myat Oo.

Myanmar is to take part in the Group C of the

tournament together with host Vietnam, Cambodia, Guam, the Philippines and Thai teams.

Asian Football Confederation did not organize the U-13 and U-14 football tournaments in the past, but football festivals. Beginning this year, the football tournament is held.

Myanmar team is constituted with players from basic education schools.

Fixtures of Myanmar U-13 Team:

Myanmar vs Thailand at Thong Nhat Stadium in Ho Chi Minh on 9-6-2012.

Myanmar vs Cambodia at the same venue on 10-6-2012.

Myanmar vs Vietnam at the same venue on 11-6-2012.

Myanmar vs the Philippines at the same venue on 13-6-2012 and

Myanmar vs Guam at the same venue on 14-6-2012.

By Zaw Min Aung (107)



ASSISTANCE PROVIDED: A ceremony to present uniforms and cash assistance to families of staff was held at Yangon East District General Administration Department in Yangon Region on 5 June. Deputy Commissioner U Hlaing Soe Thant of the District GAD gives uniforms and K 336,000 to 20 students of the staff members.—DISTRICT IPRD

Tree growing ceremony held in Kalay Township

KALAY, 8 June—The tree growing ceremony in commemoration of the World Environment Day which falls on 5 June 2012 was held beside Kalay-Gangaw Road in Thayagon Village of Kalay Township on 5 June morning.

At the ceremony, Township Administrator U Khin Maung Yi, Head of Township Forest Department U Myo Nyunt and staff, village administrators and local people, members of Green Plain Tree Lovers Association and departmental personnel participated in growing of trees.

Head of Township Forest Department distributed saplings to the people free of charge.—Myanma Alin

School uniforms provided to students



KYONPYAW, 8 June—Department of Ayeyawady Region provided school uniforms to offspring of

TREES PLANTED: In commemoration of the World Environment Day, the rainy season tree growing ceremony was held near the golf course at Nyaungbinsauk Village of Momeik Township on 5 June. Township Administrator U Myint Oo, Staff Officer U Nay Myo Tun of Township Forest Department, departmental personnel, social organizations and local people plant saplings.—TOWNSHIP FOREST



Myanmar Libraries Foundation invites cash, book donations

Myanmar Libraries Foundation is giving encouragement to broadening the horizon of the people and developing self-reliant libraries across the nation.

Those wishing to donate cash and books to the libraries may contact Myanmar Libraries Foundation at No. 228 on Theinbyu Street in Botahtaung Township, Yangon, Tel:01-371342, 01-201936 and 01-398756.

Cash assistance, school uniforms provided to staff' children

SITTWAY, 8 June—The Organizational and Discipline Enforcement Committee of Rakhine State General Administration Department held a ceremony to provide stipends, school

uniforms and school equipment for 2012-2013 academic year at its office at 9 am on 2 June.

At the ceremony, Commissioner of Rakhine State General Administration Department U Zaw Thein made a speech. He then presented cash assistance, school uniforms and school equipment to officials.

Daw Mya Nu, wife of the commissioner, and officials also presented cash assistance, school uniforms and school equipment to offspring at primary, middle and high school levels of the staff members.

Cash assistance, school uniforms and equipment



vendors and slow-moving drivers at the hall of the department for 2012-2013 academic year on 5 June.

Executive Officer U Thant Zin Thein explained alleviation of poverty and then presented school uniforms to students.

Myanma Alin

Bohmu Ba Htoo to become four-way asphalt road

YANGON, 8 June—Bohmu Ba Htoo Road is one of the traffic busy roads in Dagon Myothit (North) Township of Yangon Region.

The road is 16550 feet long from Dagon University to the bailey bridge leading to the North Okkalapa Roundabout.

Traffic jams happen on the road severally due to daily runs of buses and school ferries. So, the local people face delay of traffic. Students of Dagon University and government staff have much difficult on their traveling.

As part of solving these problems, Engineering Department (Road/Bridge) of Yangon City Development Committee is upgrading the road from 18 feet wide facility to 48 feet wide four-way road.

Beginning October 2011, the road works have been undertaken with about

150 strengths of workers day and night. So far, the road has completed by 40 per cent. It was estimated that the road work will be completed by the end of December 2012, said an official.

"Thanks to upgrading the road to the four-way facility, prices of real estates rose. In the front wing of the ward, the price raised for houses at hundreds of million kyats", said a local.

As upgrading the roads contributes much to development of the urban areas, it should undertake similar works with momentum.

Nwe Nwe Kyi (MNA)

Citizenship cards issued in Shwepyitha Township



YANGON, 8 June—Staff Officer U Zaw Thein Oo and staff of Shwepyitha Township Immigration and National Registration Department of Yangon Region together with Kyaunggon Village Administrator U Ye Aung and party issued citizenship scrutiny cards to the local people from 9 am to 5 pm on 6 June as part of implementing the Moe Pwint-3 Plan.—Myanma Alin

worth K 439,800 were provided to 43 students for 2012-2013 academic year.

Township GAD

Cash donated to Home for the Aged

YANGON, 8 June—Managing Director Daw Nilar and staff of Shwe Yi Mon Shan Traditional Food Production of No. 52 on Lower Bo Ywe Road in Latha Township, donated K 120,000 to Hsisayek Home for the Aged in Dagon Myothit (North) Township on 27 May. Officials accepted the cash donations.—Myanma Alin

DISTRICT NEWS

DUTIES ASSIGNED: The duties were assigned to departments concerned for implementation of plans in 2012-2013 fiscal year, which is the second year of the fifth five-year short-term plan of Pakokku District. On 4 June, Deputy Commissioner U Khin Maung Yi of Pakokku District General Administration Department presents letter of assignment to departmental officials at the District GAD Office in Pakokku.—MYANMA ALIN





A general view of an oil dock is seen from a ship at the port of Kalantari in the city of Chabahar, 300km (186 miles) east of the Strait of Hormuz on 17 Jan, 2012.—REUTERS

China needs time, room to improve air quality

BEIJING, 8 June—Disputes regarding the quality of Beijing's air have sparked criticism against the Chinese government for allegedly dismissing its responsibility to provide a better environment. The US embassy in China releases hourly air quality data, describing the air in Beijing and other major cities as unhealthy or worse. In fact, the data collected by the US Embassy and Chinese government are not too different. It is the judgments made by both sides that have misled the public on the issue.

Those who are skeptical should realize that no matter how badly the data embarrasses China, releasing such information will not

help resolve the problem. The Chinese government has announced that it will adopt an average daily standard of 75 micrograms of particulate matter less than 2.5 micrometres in size, or PM2.5, per cubic meter of air, as well as an average yearly standard of 35 micrograms. The Chinese national standards for PM2.5 conform with the minimum requirements set by the World Health Organization for developing countries, according to Minister of Environmental Protection Zhou Shengxian.

As the largest developing country in terms of population and economy, China has had to face a variety of problems, including severe and

widespread environmental pollution, as a result of its rapid industrialization. The international community should give China enough time and room to gradually improve its air quality, which is sometimes a dilemma for developing countries as they make efforts to compromise between maintaining economic growth and protecting the environment.

Xinhua

Singapore central bank says global economy set to slow in near term

SINGAPORE, 8 June—The global economy is set to slow in the near term amid renewed uncertainty stemming from the eurozone debt crisis, weak recovery in the United States and slowdown in large emerging economies, the Monetary Authority of Singapore said on Thursday. "The trade-oriented Asian economies are likely to see activity moderating for the rest of the year, although resilient domestic demand will provide some support," it said in a report.

Underpinned by strong gains in the manufacturing sector, especially the normalization of computer disk-drive production following the disruption caused by the Thai floods at the end of 2011, the Singapore economy grew by 10 percent quarter on quarter on a seasonally adjusted annualized basis in the first three months of the year. The Singapore economy is expected to remain restrained for the rest of the year against the backdrop of subdued global growth, it said, projecting the gross domestic product to grow by 1-3 percent.

The inflation forecast also remained unchanged at 3.5-4.5 percent. The Monetary Authority said the G3 economies on average grew by a mild 1.6 percent quarter on quarter on a seasonally adjusted annualized basis in the first three months of the year. The United States economy grew by 1.9 percent, lower than the growth of 3 percent for the previous quarter. "The main drag on growth ... came from continued cutbacks in federal defense spending as well as smaller state and local government budgets," it said.—Xinhua

Afghan National Police (ANP) keep watch during a patrol on the outskirts of Jalalabad City in Nangarhar Province on 5 June, 2012. NATO is preparing to withdraw its 130,000 troops by the end of 2014 and hand responsibility for security to Afghan forces.

INTERNET



More US waivers to Iran sanctions likely next week

SINGAPORE, 8 June—The United States will announce a new list of countries that will receive exceptions to financial sanctions on oil trade with Iran as soon as early next week, a government official said on Thursday. Not all of Iran's oil buyers are likely to get the waivers, said the source, who declined to elaborate. Around two thirds of Iran's crude exports flow to Asia, where the biggest buyers are China, Japan, India and South Korea. The United States granted Japan an exception in March and has signaled it has had good talks with South Korea about reducing oil purchases. Refiners in South Korea will switch to other sources on 1 July, industry sources have said.

But the US may withhold waivers for China and Singapore, according to an advocate of tougher sanctions on Iran, stepping up pressure on Iran's biggest crude oil buyer and a major destination for its fuel oil exports. Mark Dubowitz, the advocate and head of the Foundation for Defence of

Democracies, said he expected all of Iran's other oil buyers would eventually get the exceptions. He believes China has received some clandestine cargoes from Iran. Teheran has withheld the destination of some oil shipments by disabling tracking systems on its tanker fleet, according to shipping and trading sources.

The United States would be better off delaying a decision on China, he said, than to grant an exception now and be forced not to renew it later when more evidence of the shipments could come to light. Singapore is not a big consumer of oil, but it is a major blender of fuel, including some from Iran. The latest round of US sanctions come into effect on 28 June and aim to cut Iran's oil revenue to pressure Teheran into halting its nuclear programme. Western powers suspect Iran is aiming to develop nuclear arms, but Teheran says the programme is for civilian purposes only.—Reuters

New brain target for appetite control identified

WASHINGTON, 8 June—Researchers at Columbia University Medical Centre (CUMC) have identified a brain receptor that appears to play a central role in regulating appetite. The findings, published on Thursday in the online



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edition of Cell, could lead to new drugs for preventing or treating obesity. In their search for new targets for obesity therapies, scientists have focused on the hypothalamus, a tiny brain structure that regulates appetite. Numerous studies suggest that the regulatory mechanism is concentrated in neurons that express a neuropeptide, or brain modulator, called AgRP. But the specific factors that influence AgRP expression are not known.

The CUMC researchers found new clues to appetite control by tracing the actions of insulin and leptin. Both hormones are involved in maintaining the body's energy balance, and both are known to inhibit AgRP. "Surprisingly, blocking either the insulin or leptin signaling pathway has little effect on appetite," says study leader Domenico Accili, professor of medicine at CUMC. "We hypothesized that both pathways have to be blocked simultaneously in order to influence feeding behaviour."

To test their hypothesis, the researchers created a strain of mice whose AgRP neurons lack a protein that is integral to both insulin and leptin signaling. As the researchers hypothesized, removing this protein — FoxO1 — had a profound effect on the animals' appetite.

Xinhua

Mini-tornado hits Perth suburbs in Western Australia

SYDNEY, 8 June—Western Australia's emergency crews have spent the night cleaning up after a mini-tornado ripped through north-eastern suburbs of Perth, local media reported on Friday. The tornado ripped down trees and power lines and lifted roofs from buildings in the suburbs of Dianella and Morley on Thursday, the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) reported.

The tornado lasted only about 10 minutes but the destructive winds caused damage worth millions of dollars, the ABC said. Thousands of homes were left without electricity and Western Power was trying to restore their power as soon as possible. The town of York, east of Perth, was also hit by a powerful storm.

Xinhua

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**MV PHILIP VOY NO (021)**

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

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

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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**MV DIBENA WIN VOY NO (153)**

Consignees of cargo carried on MV DIBENA WIN VOY NO (153) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 10-6-2012 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of H.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

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CO LTD

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Dengue vaccine in sight, after 70 years

LONDON, 8 June—One of the grimmest legacies of the war in the Pacific is still being fought 70 years on, but a victory over dengue, the intensely painful "break-bone fever" which that conflict helped spread around the world, may be in sight. The US Army, which like its Japanese enemy lost thousands of men to the mosquito-borne disease in the 1940s, has piled resources into defeating the tropical killer. But it may be about to see the battle to develop the first vaccine won not in the United States but by French drug company Sanofi.

The Paris-based firm hopes for positive results in September from a key trial among children in Thailand that would set it on course to market a shot in 2015 which would prevent an estimated 100 million cases of dengue infection each year. Of 20,000 annual deaths, many are of children. For Sanofi, which has invested 350 million euros (\$440 million) in a new French factory to make the three-dose vaccine, it could mean a billion euros in yearly sales as half the world is exposed to the disease, notably in fast-expanding tropical cities from Rio and Mexico to Manila and Mumbai.

But like British rival GlaxoSmithKline, whose new malaria shot has shown promise against another mosquito-



A girl suffering from dengue fever sits under a mosquito net while seeking treatment at a hospital in Lahore on 20 Sept, 2011.—REUTERS

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**MV HYUNDAI PEGASUS VOY NO (2061)**

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Iran accuses IAEA of secretive intelligence activities

VIENNA, 8 June—Iran has accused the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) of conducting secretive intelligence activities, the *Austrian Press Agency* reported on Wednesday. The accusations were made by Iranian ambassador Ali Asghar Soltanieh on the sidelines of the IAEA Governors conference in Vienna, where he accused the IAEA of using secretive means to obtain information on Iranian facilities.

"Unfortunately the Agency (IAEA), who should be playing the role of an international technical organization, is to an extent also playing the role of an intelligence agency," he told reporters. Soltanieh criticized in particular Western councillors and media for speculation about a possible secret atomic weapons programme. He reaffirmed the "solely peaceful" aims of Iran's nuclear programme. On Friday a bilateral meeting is planned in which access for IAEA experts to Iran's facilities, documents, and nuclear experts will be discussed.—*Xinhua*



A patient lies on a bed in a ward reserved for people suffering from dengue fever in a hospital at Barrio Obrero District in Asuncion on 14 April, 2011. The mosquito-borne disease is a threat to nearly half of the world's population. Of the estimated 220 million people infected each year, two million — mostly children in Latin America and Asia — develop a severe form called dengue hemorrhagic fever.—REUTERS

carried scourge, Sanofi is also preparing for pressure to make its drug accessible to billions too poor to pay the likely market price. It has been long wait. Identified in local outbreaks in the Americas, Africa and Asia since the 18th century — and noted as a serious military hindrance by US generals in their 1898 war against Spain in Cuba and the Philippines — dengue was spread to global pandemic proportions in part due to the massive movements of armies through the Pacific theatre in World War Two.—*Reuters*

Troops kill 26 Taliban insurgents within 24 hours

KABUL, 8 June—Afghan army and police, backed by the NATO-led coalition forces, have eliminated 26 Taliban insurgents during cleanup operations within the past 24 hours, the Afghan Interior Ministry said on Thursday morning. "The joint forces conducted nine cleanup operations in Laghman, Takhar, Kandahar, Helmand, Logar and Herat Provinces, killing 26 armed Taliban insurgents over the past 24 hours," the ministry said in a statement.

One other insurgent was injured and eight other suspects have been detained by joint forces, the statement said. They also found and seized weapons, the statement said, without saying if there were any casualties on the side of security forces. Afghan police also found and defused 25 rounds of mines and Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) over the same period of time. The Taliban insurgent group, which announced the launching of a spring offensive from 3 May against Afghan and NATO forces, has not to make comments yet.—*Xinhua*

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**MV DK IRINY VOY NO (002)**

Consignees of cargo carried on MV DK IRINY VOY NO (002) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 9-6-2012 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of S.P.W(2) where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: M/S SEA TRANS SHIPPING
CO LTD

Phone No: 256916/256919/256921

FBI probes White House officials' leaking information about cyberattacks against Iran

WASHINGTON, 8 June—The Federal Bureau of Intelligence has opened an investigation into possible White House officials' leaks of classified information to the *New York Times* about US cyberattacks against Iran, CNN reported on Wednesday.

US Republican Senator Saxby Chambliss, vice chairman of Senate Intelligence Committee said he was informed that an FBI inquiry was under-way. Chambliss also called for appointment of a special counsel to investigate leaks of recent stories in the *New York Times* that detailed US cyberattacks on Iran.

"Any suggestion that this administration has authorized intentional leaks of classified information for political gain is grossly irresponsible," the White House spokesman Jay Carney said in a briefing aboard Air Force One en route California.

He stressed that the Obama administration takes all appropriate and necessary steps to prevent leaks of classified information or sensitive information that could risk ongoing counterterrorism or intelligence operations.—*Xinhua*

London hotels "pricing themselves out of market" for Olympics

LONDON, 8 June—Bookings at London hotels for the Olympic period are down by around a third on last summer, with travellers being put off by high prices, a British travel agent said on Wednesday, dampening hopes that the Games will help to revive Britain's economy. Credit ratings agency Moody's said last month that the Olympics would provide only a temporary boost to corporate earnings but said hotels would be a clear beneficiary. However, past Games have shown evidence of a displacement effect — with regular tourists put off by fears of overcrowding and high prices during an Olympics. Hotel wholesaler JacTravel is forecasting visitor arrivals to London in July to be more than 35 percent down

on 2011, and August to be almost 30 percent down. JacTravel's chief executive Mario Bodini said that Olympics expectations had been overly optimistic.

Reuters



Olympic and Union flags are seen flying outside a hotel in Sennen near Lands End in Cornwall, southwest England on 17 May, 2012.—REUTERS

Titanic locket's owner may have been maid



Owners of the locket, which bears the letters "AMA" or "AWA" in intricate script, believe the item originally belonged to Annie Moore Ward of Philadelphia.

A Pennsylvania family who obtained a locket believed to have belonged to a Titanic survivor said they may have identified the original owner.

Betty and Buz Carbone of Hempfield said their son bought the locket, which bears the letters "AMA" or "AWA" in intricate script, from an antiques dealer about

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15 years ago and they now believe the item originally belonged to Annie Moore Ward of Philadelphia, who served as a maid for a first-class passenger on the Titanic in April 1912 and survived the sinking of the ship, the *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* reported.

Ward, who was 38 at the time of the passenger liner's sinking, died in 1955.

The Carbones' daughter, Beth Evangeliste of Jeannette, said Ward is "the only one that came close" to fitting the initials on the locket, which contained a slip of paper reading, "Wreck of the Titanic, 15th April, 1912. Loss of life 1645."

Starbucks makes Jubilee gaffe in Ireland

Coffee giant Starbucks has apologized for tweeting 2,000 Irish followers, asking them to "show us what makes you proud to be British." The tweet sent was part of a promotion tied to Queen Elizabeth II's Diamond Jubilee and aimed primarily at the United Kingdom, not the Republic of Ireland, *The Guardian* reported. It appeared to show ignorance of the complicated history of Britain and its neighbor in the British Isles. Starbucks tweeted two apologies. "We apologize to all our customers and followers on Twitter in Ireland and hope that they will forgive our mistake," the second one ended.



Police: Suspect tried to hide in manhole

Houston police said they arrested a hit and run suspect who allegedly tried to hide from officers by jumping into an open manhole.

Police said an officer saw the man, whose name was not released, crash his car on the Gulf Freeway between South Wayside and Griggs at and flee from the scene on foot, KPRC-TV, Houston, reported.

The officer gave chase and saw the man jump into an open manhole and refuse to emerge when ordered.

The Houston Police Department said firefighters checked the pipe for noxious gases before members of the police dive team went in and retrieved the suspect.

Sheryl Crow says she's healthy and happy



Sheryl Crow performs during the Martin Luther King memorial dedication being held on the Mall in Washington, DC, on 16 October, 2011. INTERNET

LOS ANGELES, 8 June—American singer-songwriter Sheryl Crow said on Facebook she is "healthy and happy" despite being diagnosed with a benign brain tumour.

The 50-year-old breast-cancer survivor confirmed this week she learned about the mass when she had an MRI after suffering memory lapses.

She insisted she is fine, however, in an online posting on Wednesday.

"Hey everyone," she said. "Please don't worry about my 'brain tumour,' it's a non-cancerous growth. I know some folks can have problems with this kind of thing, but I want to assure everyone I'm OK. ... I'm feeling very healthy and happy, and having a great time on the road playing with my new band. I'm busy working on my next record too, which I'm very excited about... and I'll be on The Tony Awards this Sunday. ... Really appreciate everyone's love and concern, I feel so blessed to have the support of all my fans, but I'm good — really! Love, Sheryl."—*Internet*

Amanda Bynes pleads not guilty to DUI

LOS ANGELES, 8 June—Amanda Bynes' lawyer entered a not guilty plea on the Hollywood actress' behalf Wednesday for a DUI charge, *People.com* said.

The Los Angeles City Attorney's Office announced on Tuesday the "Hairspray" and "What a Girl Wants" star had been charged with misdemeanor driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs. She was arrested April 6 after she allegedly hit a police cruiser she was trying to pass at around 3 am.

The complaint against

Bynes said the 26-year-old actress refused a peace officer's request to submit to and/or complete a chemical test to determine how much — if any — substance was in her system.—*Internet*



Actress Amanda Bynes in Los Angeles on 5 June, 2011.—INTERNET

'Wonder Years' star files for divorce

LOS ANGELES, 8 June—Actress Danica McKellar has filed for divorce from her husband, composer Mike Verta, documents filed in Los Angeles County Superior Court indicated.

TMZ reported on Wednesday McKellar cited "irreconcilable differences" as the reason she split from the father of her 1-year-old son.

McKellar and Verta married in 2009.

"I am saddened by the end of my marriage to Mike Verta. However, we are committed to raising our son together and we are focused on remaining the best parents we can be," McKellar said in a statement issued to TMZ.—*Internet*



Miley Cyrus (R) and Liam Hemsworth are engaged. INTERNET

Cyrus and Hemsworth get engaged

LOS ANGELES, 8 June—Miley Cyrus and Liam Hemsworth are engaged to

be married after three years of dating, representatives for the Hollywood couple

Griffith set for Munich film fest honour

MUNICH, 8 June—Hollywood actress Melanie Griffith is to receive the CineMerit Award at the 30th Munich film festival next month, organizers said.

The 54-year-old star of "Lolita," "Celebrity," "Something Wild" and "Pacific Heights" — who won a supporting actress Oscar for "Working Girl" — is to pick up the lifetime achievement award at a 3 July ceremony.

"Melanie Griffith embodies Hollywood more than any other actress of her generation," festival director Diane Ilijine said in a statement on Tuesday. "She is an international star with a glamorous as well as eventful career." The world premiere of her latest film, "The Grief Tourist," is to take place at the festival.—*Internet*



John Mayer's 'Raised' still No 1 on US album chart

LOS ANGELES, 8 June—John Mayer's "Born and Raised" is No 1 on the US album chart for a second week, *Billboard.com* reported on Wednesday.

Coming in at No 2 on the Billboard 200 is Adele's "21," followed by Regina Spektor's "What We Saw From the Cheap Seats" at No 3, One Direction's "Up All Night" at No 4 and Edward Sharpe and the Magnetic Zeros' "Here" at No 5.

Rounding out the top tier are Carrie Underwood's "Blown Away" at No 6, Sigur Ros' "Valtari" at No 7, the "Now 42" compilation CD at No 8, Luke Bryan's "Tailgates and Tanlines" at No 9 and Lionel Richie's "Tuskegee" at No 10.

Internet



Singer John Mayer in Beverly Hills, California on 12 Feb, 2011. INTERNET

Actor Antonio Banderas and his wife, actress Melanie Griffith arrive at the 69th annual Golden Globe Awards in Beverly Hills, California on 15 Jan, 2012. INTERNET



Man Utd's Patrice Evra may face Stewart Downing & Steven Gerrard of Liverpool in Ukraine.— INTERNET

LONDON, 8 June — The footballing world turns its attention to Poland and Ukraine on Friday as the UEFA Euro 2012 football tournament gets under way. The Barclays Premier League will have a significant representation at the European Championship, with 70 players from 15 clubs representing 14 of the 16 nations at the tournament. Co-hosts Poland take on Greece at 5pm UK time on Friday 8th June to get the tournament under way.

England begin their campaign in Donetsk on Monday 11th June with a tough contest against a formidable France outfit which is unbeaten in 21 matches. Holders Spain take on Italy in their opener on Sunday 10th June in a mouth-watering encounter in Gdansk. Many pundits believe it will be an open tournament, although a survey of Barclays Premier League managers, conducted by Barclays, title sponsor of the League Managers Association (LMA), points to one winner.

A huge 73% of those polled tipped Germany to win, with the same percentage predicting a quarter-final

appearance for England. UEFA Euro 2012 is the 14th time the European Championship has been held. Germany have won it three times (twice as West Germany), with France and Spain both having two titles to their name.

The teams

GROUP A: Czech Republic, Greece, Poland, Russia

GROUP B: Denmark, Germany, Netherlands, Portugal

GROUP C: Croatia, Italy, Republic of Ireland, Spain

GROUP D: England, France, Sweden, Ukraine

WHAT THEY SAY

Croatia
Everton striker Nikica Jelavic: "We have a good team, good players and a good manager so hopefully we can reach a high level in the Euros because the people in Croatia expect a lot from us. I am so happy to go, it is my first big tournament and hopefully we can do some good things there."

Czech Republic

Chelsea goalkeeper Petr Cech: "I think it's very even and anything can happen, which makes [our] group very interesting. I don't think that

one team will win every match and another loses each of their games. I think there will be draws, and every goal and point will count."

Denmark

Arsenal striker Nicklas Bendtner: "There are a lot of players who can take charge in midfield, and provide both goals and assists. It's looking good, we've been practising well and intensely. We just need the last technical and tactical details and we'll be on our way."

England

Liverpool and England captain Steven Gerrard: "The expectations this time will be less. But that could suit us and turn into a positive."

"By the same token there will be a certain amount of pressure and expectation because we are England... Of course, everyone's dream is to win a tournament but it would be stupid to set that as a target."

"There have been teams in the past that have won this tournament who haven't necessarily been favourites, so we have to go there and do as well as we can. If we click and gel, if we get that bit of luck, we can get over that hurdle of the last eight."

France

Manchester United defender Patrice Evra: "Our priority at this stage is to ensure we reach the quarter-finals and then take it from there... There is no point having a negative attitude. All you can do is play to the best of your ability and if that isn't good enough it's hard to be held accountable if

you don't win."

Germany

Arsenal defender Per Mertesacker: "We have learned a lot from our disappointments - we have always reached second or third place but we want to win trophies. There is a lack of this, but with a young generation [coming through] that is very good, we will try to reach our target now."

Greece

Former Manchester City striker Georgios Samaras: "We want to win games for our people. Maybe their lives are not so good just now but football can let them put the misery to one side for a few hours."

Italy

Goalkeeper Gianluigi Buffon on Manchester City's Mario Balotelli: "It will definitely be Balotelli's tournament. Mario is a winner; he was great in the epic final game in this year's Premier League and he matured a lot over this last year. He has all our support. If he starts behaving like the leader he can be, he will carry the team and make the difference."

Netherlands

Tottenham midfielder Rafael van der Vaart: "The Euros will be a success for us when we win it. And you have to say that out loud as well, because saying things like 'a semi-final isn't'... No, we were finalists in the World Cup, so we also need to have the highest ambition now."

Poland

Arsenal goalkeeper Wojciech Szczesny: "It's all

there for us to go and have a successful tournament - I think it's the strongest Poland team the fans have seen for years so hopefully we won't let them down. I think Poland have a chance of doing well. The atmosphere around the national team has changed a bit and people have realised that we actually have world-class players."

Portugal

Manchester United forward Nani: "Even though many people do not accept it, Portugal do not depend on Cristiano Ronaldo. He is a great player, for me the number one, but he does not win the games on his own. Our opponents will be more attentive with Cristiano and that could help the rest of us, because it could allow more spaces to open up and create danger for our rivals."

Republic of Ireland

Stoke City striker Jonathan Walters: "These are the moments you have got to enjoy. There are some top players who never get the chance to be in a major tournament, so to be here, I feel very blessed and very privileged."

Russia

Fulham striker Pavel Pogrebnyak: "Four years ago in Austria and Switzerland, we achieved unbelievable things. We reached the semi-final and played some fantastic football. It was an amazing achievement. To miss out was very difficult, but this is my chance to make up for that and it is a real

honour to be part of the squad for Euro 2012. I would love to show my strengths on the highest stage and enjoy one of the top international tournaments."

Spain

Chelsea forward Juan Mata: "For Spain, this European Championship will be very difficult, because every other team in the tournament wants to beat us. It will not be easy to retain the title, but that is the challenge in front of us. Every time it gets harder. We've got a very difficult group. It's not comfortable. We've got Italy and we know that there is a lot of rivalry and history."

Sweden

Sunderland midfielder Sebastian Larsson on facing England and Steven Gerrard: "I supported Liverpool as a boy - like my dad and brother. My favourite player when I was younger was Gerrard. He was amazing when he broke into the team - and he is still a top player. Stevie has got it all - he can attack, defend, tackle. In fact, he is the perfect all-round player."

Ukraine

Former Chelsea striker Andriy Shevchenko: "For the past five years I've hardly thought about anything but the European Championship. It's fair to say this has extended my career. It's my dream... We have a young team with potential. A lot will depend on how the young players deal with the psychological factor."

Internet

Norwich appoint Hughton as new manager

LONDON, 8 June — Norwich City have named Chris Hughton as their new manager on a three-year deal. Hughton moves from Birmingham City and fills the vacancy created when Paul Lambert moved from Carrow Road to Villa Park. It is a return to the Barclays Premier League for the former Tottenham Hotspur assistant manager, who was last in the top flight in the 2010/11 season as manager of Newcastle United. At a Press conference at Carrow Road on Thursday, Hughton said: "This is something that I've been very excited about."

"It has been done very speedily, which I've been delighted with, and I'm looking forward to the challenge in front of me." Hughton said he was hoping to build on the Canaries' impressive return to the Barclays Premier League, which saw them finish in a

creditable 12th place. "[It's] not just a finishing position, it's financial position, aspects of the club where you feel it can grow, — and I've been very impressed with where the club is and how they want to move forward," he added.

Hughton admitted he faced a challenge in succeeding the successful Lambert, who oversaw two successive promotions.

"It's a wonderful achievement to rise from League One to the Premier League, and it's a hard act to follow," he said. "It's about making progress and with every new manager and player comes a new challenge."

Hughton is being joined by assistant manager Colin Calderwood, first-team coach Paul Trollope and chief scout Ewan Chester. A compensation package has been agreed with Birmingham. The Midlands club's acting chairman Peter Pannu said: "Chris is a great



Chris Hughton was introduced to the media after leaving Birmingham City for Norwich City.

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man and a proven manager and we didn't want to stand in his way when Norwich made an approach with the offer of a top flight managerial position."— Internet

International Sports

Clint Dempsey voted Fulham player of season

Back at No 1, Sharapova to face Errani in final

PARIS, 8 June — Wind blew in her face, kicking up flecks of clay, and Maria Sharapova stood at the baseline, knowing she needed one more point to reach her first French Open final and return to No 1 in the rankings. She rotated her right shoulder, the one surgically repaired 3 1/2 years ago, and served a fault. Her next try found the mark: a second-serve ace at 104 mph that landed in a corner. It was a fitting way to close out a 6-3, 6-3 victory over No 4-seeded Petra Kvitová of the Czech Republic in the semifinals at Roland Garros on Thursday, a fitting way to announce that Sharapova is once again at

the height of her powers and at the top of her sport.

"It's a long road back; it's a long process. It's a lot of days of frustration and uncertainty, not knowing if you'll ever get there, not knowing how much you want it, not knowing whether (there) would be a moment like that for you again," Sharapova said at her news conference, the WTA's glass vase signifying her No 1 status sitting inches away. "So there's definitely a lot of tough things you have to go through to get to this point. But when you get here, and you look back at the things that you did, and the work that you put in, and the toughest days that



Sara Errani of Italy celebrates winning her semi final match against Samantha Stosur of Australia at the French Open tennis tournament in Roland Garros stadium in Paris, on 7 June, 2012.

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you can remember, it's all really worth it." On Saturday, the second-seeded Russian will face 21st-seeded Sara Errani of Italy for the French Open title.—Internet

goals tied for fourth overall and broke Louis Saha's Fulham club record.

Fulham said on Thursday that Mousa Dembele finished second in fan voting and Brede Hangeland third.— Internet



Clint Dempsey

LONDON, 8 June — Clint Dempsey has been voted Fulham's Player of the Season for the second straight year. The 29-year-old Texan scored a career-high 23 goals in 2011-12.

His 17 Premier League

Focus Myanmar TV Programme

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL

(9-6-12 09:30 am ~ 10-6-12 09:30 am) MST

- * News
- * Education Malaysia Exposition 2012
- * News
- * Law Ka Nat Member Show
- * News
- * Kid's Talent
- * Housing and Living 2012
- * News
- * Journey to Unimaginable Spots (Episode-5)
- * News
- * Culture Stage
- * News
- * Products of Myanmar "Velvet Slipper"
- * News
- * World Environment Day 5 June Green Economy; Does it include you?
- * News
- * The Meaning of Flowers
- * Myanmar Movie "Never Lie to Your Heart"

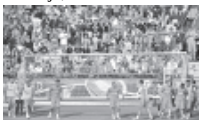
MYANMAR TV

(9-6-2012) (Saturday)

- 7:00 am
- 1. Paritta By Venerable Mingun Sayadaw
- Uppatahsandi paritta
- 7:25 am
- 2. To Be Healthy Exercise
- 7:50 am
- 3. Nice & Sweet Song
- 8:20 am
- 4. Poem Garden
- 8:40 am
- 5. International News
- 11:10 am
- 6. Musical Programme
- 11:25 am
- 7. Game for Children
- 12:10 pm
- 8. TV Drama Series
- 13:00 pm
- 9. Teleplay (Policy)
- 14:30 pm
- 10. One Village & One Product
- 4:20 pm
- 11. Myanmar Traditional Performing Arts Competitions
- 4:40 pm
- 12. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures) -Third Year (History)
- 5:00 pm
- 13. Beautiful "Asean"
- 5:50 pm
- 14. International Science News
- 8:00 pm
- 15. News
- 16. TV Drama Series

Dutch players hear monkey chants at training

KRAKOW, 8 June—Netherlands players heard monkey chants from the crowd at a Euro 2012 training session at Wisla Krakow's stadium this week, a team spokeswoman said on Friday, casting a shadow over what had been a near carnival atmosphere. The build-up to the tournament being co-hosted by Poland and Ukraine was dominated by worries about racism among home fans. Coach Bert van Marwijk, Dutch officials and



Netherlands soccer players attend a training session during the Euro 2012 at Wisla stadium in Krakow on 6 June, 2012.—REUTERS

many of the press did not hear any racist abuse during Wednesday's session but it has since emerged that a handful of the squad did.

"Some players did hear some monkey noises. That is why they moved to the other side of the pitch," the spokeswoman said. The Dutch FA (KNVB) did not lodge a formal complaint with UEFA but was contacted by soccer's European governing body after reports of the incident appeared in local

Dutch media.

"UEFA has now been made aware that there were some isolated incidents of racist chanting that occurred at the open training session of the Dutch team in Krakow," UEFA said in a statement on Friday. "Should such behavior happen at further training sessions UEFA would evaluate the operational measures to be taken to protect the players."

UEFA has a zero-tolerance policy when it comes to discriminatory behavior and has given the power to referees to stop matches in case of any repeated racist behavior.—Reuters

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



Weather forecast for 9th June, 2012

No.	Region/Station	Temperature (°C/°F)		For Tomorrow	
		Minimum	Maximum	Forecast	Percent
1	Kachin	16.57	25.79	Isolated rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
2	Kayah	16.88	25.72	Fairly widespread rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
3	Kayah	15.91	24.75	Fairly widespread rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
4	Chin	17.68	13.50	Scattered rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
5	Upper Sagaing	15.95	25.79	Isolated rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
6	Lower Sagaing	15.10	25.84	Isolated rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
7	Timor	23.82	23.73	Widespread rain or thunderstorms with isolated heavy fall	(80%)
8	Bago	14.93	24.75	Fairly widespread rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
9	Magway	15.10	25.84	Isolated rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
10	Mandalay	10.14	23.84	Isolated rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
11	Maw	12.50	23.73	Widespread rain or thunderstorms with isolated heavy fall	(80%)
12	Yangon	11.88	24.75	Widespread rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
13	Bhamo	14.93	25.79	Fairly widespread rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
14	Southern Shan	17.61	21.76	Scattered rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
15	Northern Shan	15.95	22.72	Scattered rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
16	Eastern Shan	16.82	23.73	Scattered rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
17	Ayeyarwady	15.82	25.79	Widespread rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
18	Neighboring New Pyi Taw	16.97	25.77	Isolated rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
19	Neighboring Yangon	11.88	24.75	One or two rain or thunderstorms	(80%)
20	Neighboring Mandalay	10.14	23.84	Isolated rain or thunderstorms	(80%)

During the past 24 hours, widespread rain or thunderstorms have been reported in Mandalay and Magway Regions, Shan and Bhamo States, fairly widespread in Bago and Yangon Regions, Kachin State and scattered in the remaining Regions and States with generally heavy falls in Ayeyarwady and Timor Regions and isolated heavy falls in Yangon Region, Kachin and Shan States. The heaviest amount of rainfall recorded was Patheingyi (11.7 inches, Dagon (8.7 inches), Myittha (4.4 inches), Kungmying (3.84 inches), Thabeik (3.63 inches), Madaya and Lathay (3.45 inches) etc. Ya (2.63 inches), Yangon (2.48 inches), Central Yangon (2.37 inches) and Yangon (Khalay) (2.33 inches).

Bay Reference: Minimum is rising in the Andaman Sea and South Bay and moderate elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

State of the Sea: Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at times Dagon, Gulf of Miramar, off and along Maw-Thabeik Caves. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach 40 mph. Seas will be moderate elsewhere in Myanmar waters.

outlook for subsequent two days: Continuation of increase of rain in the Southern Myanmar areas.

Ngazun Township School Enrollment Day observed

NGAZUN, 8 June—The school enrollment day was held at Aung San Hall in Ngazun Basic Education High School in Ngazun Township on 27 May.

At the ceremony, Township Administrator U Tin Win made a speech, and Township Education Officer U Hmway Kyu explained matters related to the school enrollment day.

The chairman of Township Education Supervisory Committee

handed over 6325 dozens of exercise books donated by the Mandalay Region Chief Minister to the township education officer.

Next, Mandalay Region Hluttaw representative U Myat Thu, on behalf of the Union Minister for Transport and wife, donated 300 dozens of exercise books to Headmistress Daw Than Than Htay of Ngazun Basic Education High School.

Education



SCHOOL EQUIPMENT DONATED: Ward 2 Administrative Office of Hline Township and wellwishers donated school equipment recently. Ward Administrator U Nyan Taw hands the donations to Headmistress Daw Nwe Nwe Win and students of Hline Basic Education Primary School.—Myanma Alin

Maggert, Merrick stand out from St Jude crowd



Maggert of the US hits out of the bunker on the first hole during the final round of the Sony Open golf tournament at the Waialae Country Club in Honolulu, Hawaii on 15 Jan, 2012.

REUTERS

MEMPHIS, 8 June—John Merrick bogeyed the 18th hole to fall into a tie with fellow American Jeff Maggert for the lead after Thursday's opening round of the St Jude Classic at TPC Southwind in Memphis, Tennessee. Merrick and 2006 tournament winner Maggert registered four-under-par 66s on a day that grew increasingly windy and featured a crowded leaderboard with 15 players within two strokes of the

leaders. Alone atop the leaderboard at five-under, late finisher Merrick hit his tee shot at the last hole into the water on his way to a bogey.

Tied for third at 67 were Americans Jeff Overton and J Henry, along with India's Arjun Atwal and Noh Seung-yul of South Korea. US Open champion Rory McIlroy of Northern Ireland, trying to make the cut for the first time in four tournaments, was among 11 players bunched at

68. Others posting two-under-par rounds included US Davis Cup captain Davis Love III and his fellow former major winners Lee Janzen, Padraig Harrington and Yang Yong-eun.

John Daly, a former resident at the Southwind course and another former major winner, also posted a 68 but stood out from the crowd with a bright orange shirt and wildly patterned brown pants.—Internet

Ivory Coast's Yaya Toure cleared to face Morocco

ABIDJAN, 8 June—African Footballer of the Year Yaya Toure has been cleared fit to play for the Ivory Coast in this weekend's World Cup qualifier against Morocco in Marrakech, the Ivorian Football Federation said in Abidjan on Friday.

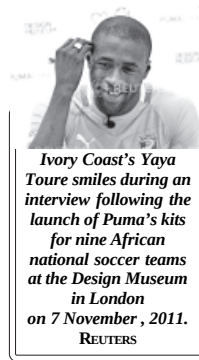
Saturday's match will mark the midfielder's first appearance since he limped off with a hamstring injury during Manchester City's dramatic Premier League-winning final day victory over Queen's Park Rangers on 13 May.

Toure traveled as part of a 23-man squad to Morocco for the Group C game, which comes a week after the Ivorians began their bid for a third successive World Cup finals appearance by beating Tanzania 2-0 in Abidjan.

Toure missed that match and a warm-up international against Mali in France a week earlier.

Morocco were held to a 1-1 draw by Gambia in their last opening group fixture last weekend.

Reuters



Ivory Coast's Yaya Toure smiles during an interview following the launch of Puma's kits for nine African national soccer teams at the Design Museum in London on 7 November, 2011.

REUTERS

Fake FBI agent arrested in Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 8 June—A Pakistani confidence trickster has been arrested for posing as an FBI agent and defrauding unwitting customers in Islamabad of \$21,000, police said Friday.

Hayat Khan, 48, was detained in a sting operation on Thursday following a number of complaints in the capital, police official Suhail Akram told AFP.

"The fake FBI agent grabbed millions of rupees. He is now under arrest," he said. Khan, who also went by the alias Riaz Khan, claimed



A Pakistani policeman stands at a check point in Islamabad.—INTERNET

to have worked for the FBI and trapped his victims by offering to sell US dollars at a lower rate than on the market.

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Riots occur in Maungtaw of Rakhine State

Curfew imposed to restore peace and tranquility of community after controlling all situations

NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—The government is building the country to be a peaceful, modern and developed one in line with the democratic practices, while placing more emphasis on ensuring peace and stability and the rule of law.

At present, there occur unrests in Rakhine State that can harm peace and stability. As of this afternoon, rioters have destroyed houses, shops and guest houses and committed killings. Due to the violent acts and riots, Section (144) has been issued in Maungtaw and Buthidaung townships for ensuring peace and stability and prevalence of law and order.

At about 1pm, over 1000 rioters destroyed roof of penthouse of Kanbawza Bank and threw stones at United guest house and a house.

At about 2 pm, they also set fire to six shops in Thazin guest house and restaurants in the front of Thirimingalar Hall. After that, the fire spread to ward-4 between clock tower and hospital and destroyed 15 houses. In addition, they also set fire to two houses in MyoU ward and Khayaymyaing village in Duchiyardan village-tract on Maungtaw-Alethanyaw motor road.

In the evening, about 20 rioters stormed Maungtaw People's Hospital and disrupted people in the hospital. So, health staff went into hiding. They continued to destroy two houses in Myoma east ward in front of the hospital, and people had to go into hiding.

Due to the attacks of the rioters, Dr Khin Maung Lat aged 63; Daw Than Yi aged 57; U Kyaw Hla, 78 and U Thein Zaw, 36 got injured. And U Hla Maung, aged 65 was dead. During the violent attacks, local police battalion and police force tried to control the situation, putting out fires and safeguarding the security of local people.

Head of border area immigration inspection headquarters is keeping close supervision on the case. Section-144 is issued in Maungtaw and Buthidaung Township to control the situations and restore peace and stability as these riots can harm peace and stability and prevalence of law and order.

MNA

Maungtaw, Buthidaung in Rakhine State placed under curfew

NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—Maungtaw Township General Administration Department has imposed a curfew order (1/2012) under Section 144 of Code of Criminal Procedure in Maungtaw, Rakhine State today as riots broke out in the town this afternoon have disrupted the community peace and prevalence of law and order.

The following is the translation of the order.

Township General Administration Department

Maungtaw Township

Code of Criminal Procedure Section-144

Curfew Order No.1/2012

8 June, 2012

(4th Waning of Nayon, 1374 ME)

General Penal Code No. 1/2012

1. It is hereby announced for the public knowledge on 8 June, 2012. During riots in Maungtaw on 8 June, 2012, houses in wards in Maungtaw were set fire, people were beaten and houses were looted. I believe that gathering of five or more than five people at streets, roads, the main road, lanes, garden (or) public places which are built for the people in Maungtaw to live in peace can cause arson attacks, clashes and lootings again.
2. Therefore, curfew is imposed under Section 144 of Code of Criminal Procedure and five or more than five people shall not gather at roads, streets, the main road, lanes, garden (or) mosques and public schools in municipal area of Maungtaw and not to go outside from 6 pm to 6 am.
3. This order shall take effect until any other order is issued.
4. I sealed and signed and issued this order on 8 June, 2012.

Seal

Township Administrator

Similarly, Buthidaung Township has been placed under curfew.—MNA

All Myanmar Islam Association issues statement of its stance

NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—All Myanmar Islam Association today issued a statement of its stance on the situations happening in Rakhine State. The translation of the announcement is as follows:-

Republic of the Union of Myanmar All Myanmar Islam Association

No. 214 (Government's Religious Cash Assistance Acceptance Committee Office),
Bo Sun Pak Street, Pabedan Township, Yangon
Ph: 388146, 253683, 252608, 241717, 241212, 296134

All Myanmar Islam Association

8 June, 2012

All Myanmar Islam Association has issued a statement of its stance on the situations happening in Rakhine State as follows:-

- (a) We condemn the terrorizing and destruction of lives and property of innocent people.
- (b) We express deepest sympathy for the loss of lives of innocent people, destruction of public property and those dismayed.
- (c) We especially favour the situation in which the public live peacefully within the framework of law.
- (d) The Muslims living across the nation need to live in accordance with the special request made by All Myanmar Islam Association.
- (e) We have issued the statement of our stance that government organizations concerned are to take an effective and prompt action against any act that can harm stability of the State and the peaceful living of the people in accord with the law.

(Al-Haj Maw Lana Yusof)	(Al-Haj Nyunt Maung Shein)	(Al-Haj Kyaw Soe)	(Al-Haj Myint Tun)	(Kyaw Khin)
Vice-President	President	Secretary General	Chairman	General Secretary
Ulama-Islamic Scholars	Islamic Affairs Council	Myanmar Malawi Organization	Myanmar Muslim Youths (Religion)	Myanmar Muslim National Affairs
Federation	Headquarters	Headquarters	Organization Ma-La Ma-La	Federation (Ma-Ah-Pha) Headquarters

All Myanmar Islam Association requests Muslims to keep calm

NAY PYI TAW, 8 June—All Myanmar Islam Association has issued a letter of request asking Muslims to keep calm in line with Islamic teachings.

The following is the translation of the request to the Muslims.

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Request to Muslims

There have been different views among the people concerning the news reporting on the newspapers issued on 5 June, 2012.

With regard to this, All Myanmar Islam Association has issued a statement which it submitted to responsible organizations concerned seeking for peaceful resolution within the framework of law.

Thus, Muslims are requested in all seriousness to live in tranquility in accordance with Islamic teachings, avoiding expression of wishes in groups.

(Al-Haj Maw Lana Yusof)	(Al-Haj Nyunt Maung Shein)	(Al-Haj Kyaw Soe)	(Al-Haj Myint Tun)	(Kyaw Khin)
Vice-President	President	Secretary General	Chairman	General Secretary
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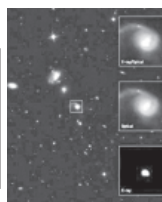
SCO says "no" to interventionism



The large group meeting of the 12th Meeting of the Council of Heads of Member States of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) is held at the Great Hall of the People in downtown Beijing, capital of China, on 7 June, 2012.

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Black hole 'evicted' from host galaxy?



Galaxy CID-42 likely contains a massive black hole being ejected at several million miles per hour. The main panel is a wide-field optical image of CID-42 and the area around it.

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Titanic locket's owner may have been maid



Owners of the locket, which bears the letters "AMA" or "AWA" in intricate script, believe the item originally belonged to Annie Moore Ward of Philadelphia.

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Maggert of the US hits out of the bunker on the first hole during the final round of the Sony Open golf tournament at the Waialae Country Club in Honolulu, Hawaii on 15 Jan, 2012.

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