

President U Thein Sein receives business delegation led by President of US-ASEAN Business Council

NAY PYI TAW, 8 July — President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein received a business delegation led by President of US-ASEAN Business Council Mr. Alexander Feldman at the hall of the Presidential Palace, here, at 11 am today.

The President was accompanied by Union Ministers U Wunna Maung Lwin, U Soe Thane, U Than Htay, U Win Myint and Dr Kan Zaw and departmental heads. Also present at the call together with the President of US-ASEAN Business Council were chairmen, executive directors and officials of AIG China, AT&T, Baker & Mckenzie, Unocal Myanmar Offshore, Chevron, CAT, Cisco, Conoco Philips, Deloitte & Touche, General Electric, General Motors, IBM, KPMG, Mclarty Associates,

Metlife, Merck, Oracle, P & G, RMA, VISA, Citi, River West Capital and TE Connectivity companies.

At the meeting, the President said that US-ASEAN Business Council served as an important organization for US-ASEAN relations; that his new government was conducting politically and economically sweeping reforms at the same time; that only peace and stability could bring development of national economy and economic development could lead the nation to advancing a democracy; that Myanmar needed the support of US-ASEAN Business Council for its economic development.

He continued that the aim of having the country's poverty rate by 16 per cent in 2015 was in progress; and that cooperation in



technology and investment that the country needed could bring mutual interest as Myanmar possess tremendous economic potentials with a wealth of natural resources and adequate manpower and its strategic location for South Asia and Southeast Asia offers a huge market for global investors.

The President pointed out the requirements in information and communication technology and telecommunications sectors, making an offer to cooperate with local operators as the country has a target of ensuring 80 per cent of its total population to have access to mobile services by 2015.

**President
U Thein Sein
having a
conversation with
President
of US-ASEAN
Business Council
Mr Alexander
Feldman.**

MNA



The US-ASEAN Business Council President replied that he appreciated the sector-wise offer for US businessmen; that he hoped to achieve more economic success in Myanmar where the Council has started doing businesses; that the trip was intended to strengthen businesses set up twelve months ago; that

investments would be made in the prioritized sectors of Myanmar; that the US companies would invest in infrastructure projects of health and education sectors.

Next, officials of foreign companies elaborated on works to be done respectively.

MNA

INSIDE

**Record of meeting
between Union
Information
Minister
U Aung Kyi
and Myanmar
Press Council
(Temporary)**

PAGE-8



**Malone, cable deals
in spotlight at Sun
Valley conference**

PAGE-4



**Cambodia marks
5th anniversary
of Preah Vihear
temple status on
World Heritage List**

PAGE-11

Interviews for new job seekers on 10-11 July

Of 237 job seekers who had come back home from Malaysia, about 217 workers— 164 males and 53 females— have been employed by the Ministry of Labour, Employment and Social Security from 19 June to 4 July.

New job interviews would be conducted by local companies and industries at the Workers' Proficiency Training School under the Labour Department at No. 298 in Myananda Street in Ward 13, Yankin Township, Yangon, at 9 am on 10-11

Ministry of Labour, Employment and Social Security

July.

For those wishing to work in their respective states/regions, contact Region/State/District/Township Labour Departments in States/Regions.

The best song for SEA Games

At present, preparations are being made in all aspects with added momentum for hosting the SEA Games. People enjoy the songs of hailing the SEA Games on TV. Soon, the songs for the XXVII SEA Games will be selected.

"A total of 10 songs in the short list have been selected from all entries. These 10 songs will be distributed together with CDs and song notes to the people across the nation for choosing the best of all. The CDs and song notes will be presented to Sports and Physical Education



Departments in regions and states, districts and Meiktila, PyinOoLwin, Toungoo, Pyay and Hinthada. The people may take out the CDs and song notes from the

offices free of charge as of 7 July and vote for the best song as they like. Then, they must send back the ballots to the SPEDs where they had taken out the songs and CDs," said an official of the 27th SEA Games Song Scrutiny Committee.

Arrangements have been made to give SEA Games mascot owls to those who sent back the ballots for choosing the best song.

Ten finalist songs will be broadcast through TV programme from 5 to 15 July for taking public assessment. Best five songs among the entries will be announced in the last week of July.

Noteworthy amounts of rainfall (8-7-2013)

Bhamo	3.07 inches
Namhsam	2.67 inches
Kungyangon	2.52 inches
Kayan	1.93 inches
Yangon (North Dagon)	1.57 inches

Article: Maung Maung Myint Swe: Photo: Tin Soe (Myanma Alinn)

The scrutiny committee is formed with Myint Moe Aung, Kay Tu Win Htut, Than Myat Soe, Shwe Gyaw Gyaw, Myanmarpyi Kyauk Sein, Moe Naing (Gima Mate), Moe Aung Swe, Zawah, Dira Do, DJY, L Khun Yi, Nwe Yin Win and Khin Myat Mon.

The committee invited entries of songs in January 2012 and accepted 97 entries. The committee requested 20 songs from star singers Zaw Win Htut, Lay Phyu, Ange, Myo Gyi, SIR troupe, Ye Lay, JME&Ar-T, Sai Sai Kham Hlaing and Chan Shan.

Therefore, a total of 117 songs were in hands of the committee.

The committee made once more invitation to the enthusiasts the songs in March 2013 and accepted 190 songs. After that, the committee chose 31 songs from 307 songs in total. In the final, the advisers and officials scrutinized 10 songs.

That is why the enthusiasts and people may vote for the best song for the SEA Games.

Myanma Alinn: 5-7-2013

Trs: TTA

Milk for schools in Mandalay Region kicks off



NAY PYI TAW, 8 July — A ceremony to introduce the “School Milk Program” to basic education schools in Mandalay Region was held at Aung San Hall of Basic Education High School No (30) in Mandalay on 5 July, attended by Mandalay Region Chief Minister U Ye Myint and officials.

It was learnt that a total of 45000 primary students—10000 in Nay Pyi Taw and 17500 each in Yangon and Mandalay—would be provided with milk five days a week for three years in succession.

The recently-launched program will cover 79 schools in 28 Townships of Mandalay Region. Under the leadership of the Ministry of Livestock Breeding and Fisheries, the program is sponsored by a Sweden-

based Tetra Laval company. Dutch Mill (Diary Plus) is responsible to produce milk for children and MK Group of Companies for distribution.

As a first phase, children of 22 schools in Mandalay district were provided with milk on 5 July and the second phase will be implemented at the end of July in other districts in the region. The third phase of the program will cover the remaining districts in August.

The Sweden-based Tetra Laval expressed the views to the School Milk Program that

it would be of great benefit not only to the children but also to the whole society. If national health standard improved thanks to the program, there would be some reduction in unwanted health care costs. Moreover, the increased milk consumption could contribute towards development of dairy products manufacturing sector.

Free milk for schools could bring improvement in school activities, making kids happy at school. It could thereby contribute to the poverty alleviation scheme.

Kyemon-002

Better smooth and secure transport facilitates travels in Kayah State



NAY PYI TAW, 8 July — Kayah State with the favourable topography and pleasant climate patterns is a quiet and peaceful region as the population density in the state is low. Due to a lack of regional peace and stability in the past, it caused travel disruption to Kayah State. Now, it can be easily accessible from every part of the country as resumption of peace and stability and better transportation was realized. During the 2012-2013 fiscal year before the rainy season, Public Works carried out road works

lawsuits against them over vandalism.

Kyemon-31

on Bawlake-Pruhso road section between mile post Nos (152/5) and (172/6) on Toungoo-Mawchi-Loikaw road as landslides occurred on the road section due to heavy rainfall in previous years, posing a threat to disrupt the traffic of goods and passengers on it.

It took two months to complete reconstruction of retaining wall. The first phase included construction of a 121 feet long and 60 feet high double gravel retaining wall that guarantee to last for next 30 years. If the travel disruption occurred on the road section, the situation would bring road transport to get to Loikaw, Bawlake, Pasawng, Mawchi,

Kyaukpadaung happy as lakes restore rainwater

KYAUKPADAUNG, 8 July — As there had been below average rainfall last year, some villages in Kyaukpadaung Township of Mandalay Region experienced potable water shortage when drinking lakes and dams were dry in last summer.

But quick response to water stress developed by carrying out underground water tapping and necessary maintenance for lakes under the plans led by the ministry concerned and the region government. As a result, local

people will be able to enjoy fruitful results of efforts made in previous year as lakes that had seen repair works are restoring rainwater.

As the region government performed dredging of Chaungmagyi Lake at Latpanbin village, 3.5 miles west of Kyaukpadaung Township, with the use of heavy machinery, the lake has restored rainwater since 26 May this year.

“People of 20 villages have to rely on the lake for drinking water. What concerns us was lack of

water in the lake due to drought in previous year. But workers arrived here and carried out dredging of lake under the plan of the region government. The whole village appreciated the region government’s effort”, says U Bo Sein of the village.

The repair works for the lake in the village were carried out in April and May last year under the plan of the region government. The lake has an area of 140 acres and it can store 38 million gallons of water, it is learnt. — *Kyemon-Ko Nay (Kyaukpadaung)*



Regional Development

New retaining wall under construction in Myinmu Township

MYINMU, 8 July — As of 1 July, construction of a 120 feet long, 13 feet wide and 12 feet high gravel retaining wall and a concrete stairway started spending K 14.9 million on it on Kannar street in Myinmu Township.

“Construction works has started after clearing the designated place littered with rubbish and rubbles as of 1 July. We have not taken a rest for a while. We have to work late every day”, says a mason.

It was learnt that there used to be a retaining wall built by U Thaung Tin and family to protect their three-storey house from the possible danger of erosion 10 years ago. As time went by, river water made the wall damaged and finally it collapsed.

Upon completion, ward dwellers will be free from worries about inflow of river water to the wards.

Kyemon-Ko Ko Naing (Myinmu)



Crime

Two young men charged with vandalism

YANGON, 8 July — Two young men were taken into police custody in connection with a crime of destroying public property for no good reason in Hline Township, here, on 3 July.

Hline police station said that Naing Phyo Aung, 28, and Pyae Phyo Aung, 24, were arrested and taken to the police station by a security team stationed on the bank of Inya Lake on Pyay Road in Hline Township as they vandalized rubbish bins and iron stands of Parks and Playground Department (Yangon North District) of Yangon City Development Committee at about 11.45 pm on that day. The bins worth K 125,000 were damaged as they kicked and smashed them.

Hline police station filed

WORLD

Death toll in hotel collapse in S India rises to 11

NEW DELHI, 8 July — At least 11 people have been killed and 14 others injured in a three-storeyed hotel collapse in the city of Secunderabad in the southern Indian state of Andhra Pradesh Monday, a senior police official said.

The death toll is likely to go up as many people are still trapped under the debris of the 80-year-old Iranian City Light hotel which collapsed at 6:30 a.m. (local time) in the town near state capital Hyderabad, he said, on condition of anonymity.

“Some 11 people were killed and all the injured have been admitted to a nearby hospital. While 10 people have been brought out alive from the debris,

Indian rescue workers look for survivors from the debris of a collapsed building near Hyderabad, India, on 8 July, 2013.



several others are still feared trapped,” the official added.

Local TV channels showed footage of rescuers bringing out dead bodies as well as survivors from the rubble of the building

whose owner has been issued notices on safety by civic authorities.

Building collapses are common in India because of poor construction materials.

Some nine people

were killed in two separate building collapses in Mumbai while in April, more than 74 people perished in another building collapse on the outskirts of India’s financial capital.

Xinhua

LDP support slightly down, retains lead ahead of election

TOKYO, 8 July—The ruling Liberal Democratic Party’s support rating ahead of the upper house election has fallen slightly over the past week, but the party still retains a substantial lead over the main opposition Democratic Party of Japan, a Kyodo News survey showed on Sunday.

The nationwide telephone survey conducted on Saturday and Sunday found that 29.8 percent of respondents intend to vote for the LDP in the proportional

representation section of the House of Councillors election on 21 July, down from 31.1 percent in the previous survey a week earlier. The support rating for Abe’s Cabinet stood at 64.2 percent, down slightly from 66.8 percent in the previous survey, while 26.5 percent said they do not support it, up from 22.1 percent previously.

The DPJ had the second-highest level of support at 7.1 percent, down from 7.5 percent a week

earlier, while 5.6 percent of respondents said they will vote for the LDP’s junior coalition partner, the New Komeito party, down from 5.9 percent in the previous poll. Of the respondents, 38.1 percent said they had not decided which party to vote for in the proportional representation section, up 2.6 points from the previous survey.

Meanwhile, 44.5 percent of respondents expressed support for revising the Constitution as

advocated by Prime Minister Shinzo Abe, down from 51.0 percent in the previous poll, while 38.0 percent expressed opposition, up from 33.6 percent.

A total of 70.9 percent said they are interested in the election “greatly” or “to some extent,” lower than the 80.2 percent who expressed interest in the previous upper house election in 2010, indicating the possibility of a low voter turnout.

Kyodo News

Sentences for cyber crime and snooping to be tougher across EU

STRASBOURG, (France), 8 July—EU lawmakers agreed on Thursday to toughen criminal penalties across the European Union for cyber attacks, especially those that include harming critical national infrastructure and hijacking computers to steal sensitive data. The 28 EU member states currently have a patchwork of varying tariffs for cyber crime.

The decision mandates national maximum sentences of at least two years in prison for attempting to illegally access information systems. The maximum penalty for attacks against infrastructure such as power plants, transport, or government networks will be set at five years or

more, higher than the current tariff in most member states. The decision also increases the penalties for illegally intercepting communications, or producing and selling tools to do this.

Cyber criminals often infect computers to form armies of zombie PCs known as “botnets” by sending spam emails containing malicious links and attachments, and by infecting legitimate websites with computer viruses. Some botnet creators rent or sell infected machines on underground markets to other cyber criminals looking to engage in a wide variety of activities including credit card theft and attacks on government websites.

Reuters



A man types on a computer keyboard in Warsaw in this 28 Feb, 2013 illustration file picture. — REUTERS

Obama says US is not aligned with any Egyptian party



Supporters of deposed Egyptian President Mohamed Mursi carry mock coffins during a symbolic funeral for the four men killed during clashes with police outside the Republican Guard headquarters a day earlier, in Cairo on 6 July, 2013. —REUTERS

WASHINGTON, 8 July — President Barack Obama condemned the violence in Egypt on Saturday and said that the United States was not working with any particular Egyptian political party or group as the country reels from a military takeover.

Obama, spending the weekend at the Camp

David presidential retreat, convened a secure conference call with members of his national security team to discuss events in Egypt days after a military ouster of elected President Mohamed Mursi and his Muslim Brotherhood-led government.

“The president condemned the ongoing vio-

lence across Egypt and expressed concern over the continued political polarization. He reiterated that the United States is not aligned with, and does not support, any particular Egyptian political party or group,” a White House statement said.

The Obama administration had grown skeptical of Mursi’s ability to lead Egypt. While the United States has expressed concern about the military takeover, it has not condemned it nor called it a coup, prompting speculation that the United States tacitly supports it.

Obama has ordered a review to determine whether annual US assistance of \$1.5 billion, most of which goes to the Egyptian military, should be cut off as required by law if a country’s military ousts a democratically elected leader. —Reuters

Turkish PM, UN chief discuss Egypt’s political crisis

ANKARA, 8 July—Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan discussed an ongoing political turmoil in Egypt with UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon following the ouster of president Mohammed Morsi by the military, said a statement issued by the Premier’s Press Centre on Sunday.

In a phone conversation on late Saturday, Erdogan voiced his concern to the UN chief over the future of democracy in Egypt,

which faces risks of polarization and a protracted political crisis following Morsi’s overthrow, said the statement.

He also stressed the importance of staying away from all kinds of violence, clashes and incitement and restoring civil administration as soon as possible through elections. The prime minister earlier said military coups are “unacceptable” and elected governments must be changed via the ballot box, not by

other means including force, referring to the recent coup in Egypt.

Erdogan called on both sides to act with common sense and to exercise restraint and calm. The Egyptian military on Wednesday ousted President Mohamed Morsi for his alleged “maladministration” in his first year of rule. His supporters are still in the streets protesting the “military coup” against him, and have clashed with the army and the opponents. — Xinhua



Policemen inspect the overnight blast site in eastern Pakistan’s Lahore, on 7 July, 2013. At least five persons including a six-year-old girl were killed and over 40 were injured when a remote-controlled blast hit a food street in Lahore on Saturday night, local media reported.

XINHUA

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Malone, cable deals in spotlight at Sun Valley conference

WASHINGTON, 8 July — Liberty Media Corp (LMCA.O) Chairman John Malone, who has bought and sold cable and media companies for decades, might be the most popular billionaire roaming the Sun Valley Resort as deal making returns to the spotlight at the annual gathering of media and tech moguls.

Known as “the King of Cable,” the 72-year-old is one of the 300 or so executives expected to attend the conference that runs Tuesday through Friday in Idaho. The gathering, hosted by Allen & Co, a New York-based investment bank, has a history of launching landmark media deals such as Comcast’s acquisition of NBCUniversal in 2009, but has been quieter in recent years. The guests, who shed their suits for khakis and fleece vests for the week in Sun Valley, attend lectures on politics, business and other subjects, which are closed to the press.



Chairman of Liberty Media John Malone attends the Allen & Co Media Conference in Sun Valley, Idaho on 12 July, 2012.—REUTERS

They are given plenty of time to socialize at group lunches, dinners and barbecues. Close attention is paid to who huddles with whom and who takes bike rides together.

Bob Iger, the CEO of Walt Disney Co (DIS.N), Les Moonves, the CEO of CBS Corp (CBS.N), and Rupert Murdoch of

Twenty-First Century Fox (FOXA.O), formerly News Corp, will be hiking or playing golf with their fellow moguls. Barry Diller, the chairman of IAC/InterActive Corp (IACI.O), and his wife, the designer Diane von Furstenberg, will also be there. On the tech side, guests will include Facebook Inc

(FB.O) founder and CEO Mark Zuckerberg, Apple (AAPL.O) CEO Tim Cook, Amazon.com (AMZN.O) CEO Jeff Bezos, Google Inc’s (GOOG.O) Sergey Brin, Eric Schmidt and Larry Page, and Netflix (NFLX.O) CEO Reed Hastings.

Venture capitalists and private equity chiefs expected to attend include Marc Andreessen of Andreessen Horowitz LLC and Henry Kravis of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. The dealmaking pace could pick up now that the US economy is finding its footing, said Todd Davison, a New York-based partner in the investment bank Centerview Partners. He said he expects to see more strategic transactions across cable and the traditional media sector. “Media executives are feeling increased confidence to enhance their business prospects through actions other than purely internal operations,” he said.

Reuters

App developer Shazam gets \$40 million backing from tycoon Carlos Slim

LONDON, 8 July — Smartphone app developer Shazam has found an unlikely ally in the form of Carlos Slim, one of the world’s richest men, who is investing \$40 million to back the development of the start-up best known for helping music fans identify catchy songs.

The move is surprising for 73-year-old Slim, who built his company America Movil in a more staid sector, namely the highly regulated telecommunications and TV business in Latin America. Before Shazam, Slim’s only forays into Europe were to plough 4.8 billion euros (\$6.1 billion) into stakes in Dutch operator KPN and Telekom Austria, on which he is nursing huge paper losses after their shares declined sharply in the past year.

Slim, ranked the

world’s top billionaire by *Forbes* magazine with a net worth of \$73 billion, was brought in by one of Shazam’s venture capital owners, Silicon Valley fund Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Byers. British-based Shazam will use the funds to accelerate its expansion into television, where its recognition software can tune into an advertisement’s soundtrack then link viewers directly to the brand’s website.

It wants to establish the offer in Britain and the rest of Western Europe and Latin America. “Within 18 months we expect TV will significantly outperform the music side (of the business) and that’s part of this investment,” Andrew Fisher, executive chairman of Shazam, said in an interview.

Reuters

Fossils of carnivorous dinosaur found in Nagasaki

FUKUI, (Japan), 8 July — Two fossilized tooth fragments from a prehistoric carnivore were found in a layer of ground about 84 million years old on the Nagasaki Peninsula in southwestern Japan, a dinosaur museum in Fukui and an education board in Nagasaki said on Monday. They presumably come from a large dinosaur more than 7 metres long, although it is difficult to identify the species from the tooth fragments, said

Fukui Prefectural Dinosaur Museum and the education board.

One of the fossils, measuring 35.4 millimetres high, 26.8 mm wide and 11.2 mm thick, forms roughly half of an estimated 6 centimetre-long tooth from the root, they said. It is one of the largest fossils of a carnivorous dinosaur’s tooth found so far in Japan. The other fossil measures 34.2 mm high and 13.6 mm wide. Saw-like protrusions, confirmed through cleaning

and appraisal works since 2012, showed they were the teeth of a carnivore, they said.

Kazunori Miyata, chief researcher at the museum, discovered the fossils in July 2011 in the Mitsuzo layer on the west coast of the Nagasaki Peninsula. The discovery in Nagasaki Prefecture extends the known range of carnivorous dinosaurs to 13 prefectures in Japan — from what is now Iwate Prefecture in the northeast to Kagoshima Prefecture in the south-

west.

The layer “is valuable as fossils of many species have been found,” Miyata said, referring to those of plant-eating dinosaurs, flying reptiles, alligators and turtles so far found. The new fossils will be displayed in Nagasaki from Tuesday to 28 July, at the museum in the central Japan prefecture from 1 August to 14 October, and at the Nagasaki Science Museum on a permanent basis from 17 October.

Kyodo News



Mexican billionaire Carlos Slim looks on before he gives a speech at Mexico’s school of engineers during an event to mark the 50th anniversary of his engineering degree, in Mexico City on 28 May, 2013.

REUTERS



A woman works with her computer which displays Facebook logos on the screen in Bordeaux, Southwestern France, on 30 Jan, 2013.—REUTERS

Internet big boys take aim at Singapore’s ‘regressive’ new rules

SINGAPORE, 8 July — Singapore’s move to tighten regulation of news web sites, already under fire from bloggers and human rights groups, has attracted criticism from an unexpected quarter — large Internet firms with a big presence in the city-state who say the new rules will hurt the industry. Web giants Facebook Inc, eBay Inc, Google Inc and Yahoo! Inc have said the revised rules “have negatively impacted Singapore’s global image as an open and business-friendly country”.

The comments, made in a letter to Singapore’s

minister of communications and information by the Asia Internet Coalition, an industry body, are the first sign that Singapore’s success in wooing major players to its shores is not assured. Google, eBay, Facebook and Yahoo all have a major presence in the city-state. Google said separately it was concerned about the long-term implications of the regulation — especially for local internet entrepreneurs who it said now faced greater uncertainty and legal risk.

In late May Singapore said websites that regularly report on Singapore would

have to be licensed and listed 10 news sites that would be affected, based on criteria such as having 50,000 unique visitors from Singapore each month. Websites affected by the new licensing regime would have to put up a S\$50,000 (\$39,300) performance bond as well as take down within 24 hours any story that authorities deemed objectionable. “Singapore aims to be the future, but this regulation looks a lot like the past,” Google’s Ann Lavin, director of public policy and government affairs, Southeast Asia, told *Reuters*.

Reuters

LOCAL NEWS

BUSINESS

Myanmar preparing to export sesame to EU market

YANGON, 8 July—Myanmar is preparing to export sesame to European market as it has shown interests in Myanmar's sesame exports, following lifting of economic sanctions imposed on the Southeast Asian countries.

Myanmar is exporting

110,000-120,000 tons of sesame to foreign markets. About 70 percent of sesame export go to China, 30 percent to South Korea and Japan.

The price of sesame was increased from K 90,000 in the start of sesame season to K 140,000-150,000.

One ton of Myanmar's sesame exports fetched USD 16000 in the previous year.

According to Vice-Chairman of sesame and pulses and beans association U Sai Ba Nyan, this year's sesame price is USD 2200 per one ton of sesame.

MMAL-Shwe Htoo

Indian firm offers to establish cement plant in Sagaing Region

KALAY, 8 July—Indian firm Birla Co Ltd has offered Sagaing Region government for establishment of a cement factory near Indailay village in Kalay Township in upper Sagaing Region.

According to Kalay's Region Hluttaw Representative U Khin Maung Than, the proposal would be accepted if the region government, the Union government and the local people approved it and the implementation of the project would start in 2014.

The company will

undertake administration and operation of the factory which will be run by Myanmar engineers and labour. It could generate some 800 jobs for local people.

Birla Co Ltd's officials will meet the local people to elaborate on environmental impacts of the project and the company's corporate social responsibilities.

The company invited regional cabinet members to India and had a discussion there.

The factory will be equipped with machines made in Denmark and

employ British technology for 30-megawatt coal-fired electric power plant which will supply five megawatt electricity to the surrounding villages under the scheme of the region government.

The plant will be built on 79-acre land east of Indaigyi village and the estimated investment of the company in the plant is USD 100 million.

It would provide cement to upper Chindwin region, Kabaw plain, Chin State and Magway Region.

MMAL-Shin Nay Min

YAMETHIN, 8 July—Old clocks at the landmark clock tower near Yan Aung Myin Pagoda on Yangon-Mandalay Highway in Yamethin in Mandalay Region will be replaced with new ones by Township Development Affairs Committee for beautifying the central Myanmar town.

The new clocks of 4-ft diameter have been ordered. Township DAC is preparing to install the new clocks.

MMAL-Hlaing Than Tint (Yamethin)

Yamethin clock tower to get major refurbishment



US tourists top Shwedagon Pagoda visitors' figures

YANGON, 8 July—US tourists topped the chart of visitors' list of Myanmar's landmark Shwedagon Pagoda in two successive months in May and June.

A total of 1593 US

visitors visited the pagoda in Yangon in May and the figure was increased by 108 in May.

On the average, 692 tourists visited the pagoda on each day.

In contrast, least visiting tourists are from New Zealand with 11 in June, following Laos with 15, Sri Lanka with 17, Ireland with 39 and Cambodia 45.

MMAL-Shwe Htoo

Myanmar traditional sports to feature in SEA Games, but under different category

NAY PYI TAW, 8 July—Myanmar's traditional games will feature in coming XXVII SEA Games but under different name, a senior officer of the Sports Ministry said.

Director U Htay Aung of the ministry said in a press briefing in Wunna Theiddhi Stadium in Nay

Pyi Taw that the traditional sports will be integrated into existing sports events but said it would not mean deterioration to the host's pursuit of golds.

"Myanmar's martial arts being similar to Indonesia's Pencak Silak will fall under the category and Myanmar's boxing will be played under

Muay Thai," he said.

"They have similar features. So if we learn a bit about rules and regulations, we will come closer to win golds. We Myanmar have not less talent."

He said the country could not afford to add traditional sports into the SEA Games category. It requires demonstrations of the sports willing to be included in SEA Games opening and closing ceremonies during two years in advance.

The country will also need to introduce rules and regulations to member countries and convince at least four nations to put them on the map.

Myanmar will host the SEA Games in coming December in Nay Pyi Taw, Yangon, Mandalay and Ngwehsaung beach.

MMAL-Ye Khaung Nyunt

HRD

Mini book corners at public places in Lewe Township



Local people reading at mini book corner in Lewe.

LEWE, 8 July—Lewe Township Information and Public Relations Department opened mini book corners in railway station, Phaungdawchetma pagoda passage, township court, market, bus station and hospital on 3 July to keep books and publications within easy reach for the people.

"We no more need to go where the books are, the books instead comes where we are. It broadens our

horizons as we are now able to read publications in real time," said Ko Zaw Latt, motorbike taxi driver, near a mini book corner.

The department has equipped the corners with books and publications from 12 genres.

It is a part of public services offered by the Information and Public Relations Department under the Ministry of Information.

MMAL-Ko Ko Yupa

Companies in a rush for SEA Games sponsorship

YANGON, 8 July—Local and foreign companies are considering the sponsorship of SEA Games in Myanmar as the event nears.

"Currently, Kanbawza group has sealed USD 1 million sponsorship deal to become a main sponsor. MAI, Kanbawza Bank and Air KBZ become platinum sponsors. More sponsors will be announced soon. There are host of companies reaching us to sponsor the

event," CEO Mr Chaiyan of JK group, a SEA Games marketing company.

Dentsu Sport Asia Pte Ltd and JK Group Consultant Management were XXVII SEA Games' official marketing firms.

SEA Games sponsorship deals are categorized into platinum, gold and silver. The sponsors will be able to use SEA Games logos and mascots for commercial purposes and designated

Pyawbwe, 8 July—An educative talk on the dangers of drug, human trafficking and traffic rules was organized in No. 1 Basic Education High School in Pyawbwe on 5 July morning.

It was attended by the commander of No. 8 Police Battalion group, the commander of township police force, officials of Nay Pyi Taw Anti-Drug special squad, members of township traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee, and the headmistress, teachers and students of No. 1 BEHS, totalling 2002.

Police Col Aung Myat Moe of the police battalion

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

anti-narcotics special squad and traffic rules enforcement supervisory committee gave

educative talks on drugs, human trafficking and traffic rules.—MMAL-440

group, Police Major Than Htay of Pyawbwe police force, and officials of Nay Pyi Taw

NATIONAL

Myanmar-India to cooperate in defence sector



Senior General Min Aung Hlaing poses for documentary photo together with Mr. Shri Ranjan Mathai, Foreign Secretary of External Affairs of India and party.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 8 July— led by Mr. Shri Ranjan Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Min Aung Hlaing received an Indian delegation this afternoon.

At the call, they frankly exchanged views on fostering friendly relations between Myanmar and India, cooperation in training, border region management, combating drugs in border region and bilateral cooperation in defence sector.—MNA

Special Appellate Bench hears cases

NAY PYI TAW, 8 July—A Special Appellate Bench consisting of Chief Justice of the Union U Tun Tun Oo and all judges of the Supreme Court of the Union handed down one special criminal appeal case and three special civil appeal cases and heard two special criminal appeal cases and four special civil appeal cases at the Supreme Court of the Union this morning. MNA

Thai Supreme Commander of Royal Thai Armed Forces concludes visit

NAY PYI TAW, 8 July— A Thai delegation led by Supreme Commander General Tanasak Patimapragorn of the Royal Thai Armed Forces of the Kingdom of Thailand and wife arrived here by air at 11 am today. The Thai delegation paid homage to Uppatasanti Pagoda where they offered flowers and water. The Thai Supreme Commander and wife attended opening of the friendly football tournament at Zeyathiri Stadium. In the evening, the Thai delegation left for home by air. MNA

Republic of the Union of Myanmar
Committee for Implementing the Investigation Report on Latpadaungtaung Copper Mining Project
Press Release (2/2013)
1st Waxing of Waso, 1375 ME
(8th July 2013)

- The Committee for Implementing the Investigation Report on Latpadaungtaung Mining Project has formed the confiscated land scrutiny team, the environmental conservation team, the socio-economy implementation team and the religious building reconstruction team with the suggestions of the Investigation Commission in order to effectively implement the investigation report. In order to more effectively carry out the assigned tasks, deputy committee leaders Sagaing region ministers made a field trip to villages and formed rural development groups with righteous and respected persons on 3-5-2013 to fulfill the needs of local people and to undertake rural development activities in 33 villages in the environs of the project area after making discussions with villagers.
- The committee members led by the Union minister at the President Office (Dept-6) made a trip to the project area twice a week and leaders of the four teams met with rural development groups weekly and fulfilled the requirements. The fulfillments are as follows:-
 - The land confiscated team were in scrutiny whether the confiscation of land for the project was beyond the required amount or not and gave back the remaining land to local people.
 - The project area is 6965.54 acres as 902.24 acres are extracted from the confiscated land of 7867.78 acres. Out of 902.24 acres, 293.25 acres were given back to farmers, 62.99 acres were belonged to Pathein-Monywa motor road

- and river water pumping canal area and 546 acres were belonged to environmental conservation area. As 283.69 acres are being shared to local people, 223.23 acres have already been shared to 134 farmers accounting for 79 percent.
- As to compensation, confiscated lands were compensated under the 1894 land confiscation law at the rate of K 552,000 per acre of sesame, K 540,000 per acre of Pigeon pea, and K 525,000 per acre of sunflower. At present, confiscated lands are compensated in accordance with market value in comparison with projects in other regions making investigation on the ground. One acre of land (holdings) was compensated K 500,000, one acre of land (not holdings), K 700,000, one acre of farmland was compensated K 1 million, one acre of rain watered paddy farmland K 1.2 million and one acre of double cropping irrigated farmland K 1.5 million. So far, altogether 993 farmers have received K 2798.782 million in compensation for 2715.91 acres, accounting for 42 per cent.
 - In the compensation process, there were disputes over land ownership and objections over compensation. The land dispute examining committee led by the head of Region Land Records Department has been settling the cases, and so far, 309 letters of complaint out of 374 have been addressed and 65 letters of complaint are in the process of being handled.
 - Compensation has been increased for perennial crops, and so far, altogether 301 farmers have received K 85.602 million in compensation. The increased compensation rates are as follow:-
 - Under the rural development programme, wells are being compensated, and
- | Crop (one plant) | Original rate | Increased rate |
|------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Thanatkha | K 968 | K 5000 |
| Toddy palm | K 10,000 | K 15,000 |
| Mango | K 16,000 | K 20,000 |
| Plum | K 5000 | K 10,000 |

- arrangements have been made to compensate 100 farmers from Shwehle, Wethmay-Kantaw, Zeedaw and Phaungka (a) villages K 25.221 million for 161 wells.
- Virgin and fallow lands in the environs of the project are being reclaimed for land substitution. Altogether 1900 acres of virgin and fallow lands in Phowintaung forest reserve about six miles west of the project were found to be uncultivable as they are mainly literate. Instead, 145 acres of virgin and fallow lands near Boksu village about 17 miles from Salingyi were found, and of them, five acres are under land preparation. Upon completion, grapes and dragon fruits will be grown there. Moreover, with the arrangement of the authorities concerned, 35 farmers from confiscated 26 villages on 16-6-2013 made a study trip to Meiktila, Yamethin, Tatkon and Nay Pyi Taw where they observed agriculture and livestock breeding activities.
 - According to reports of village development groups, heavy machinery and 835 gallons of fuel had been provided for availability of water for agriculture purpose.
 - The environmental conservation team implemented the tasks of ensuring sustainable development while carrying out copper mining project in accord with the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment report and by formulating environmental management project and occupational health and safety measures project.
 - In implementing the project, EIA and SIA works are being carried out in cooperation with Australia-based Knight Piesold Pty Ltd in accord with international standards and Construction Environmental and Social Management System (CESMS) had been
- (See page 7)

NATIONAL

Committee for Implementing the Investigation Report ...

(from page 6)

drafted. Works will be continued to acquire three internationally-recognized ISO certificates in cooperation with Societe General de Surveillance. Moreover, works which are agreed with Environmental and Social Impact Assessment-ESIA will be done at the same time while project is in progress.

- (ii) The project area was divided into three zones for greening and ensuring environmental conservation. A total of 25280 plants had been grown at the dump sites in Sabeitaung and Kyaysintaung in zone (1), 860 on both sides of the road near Dontaw village, 500 near Kankon village and four baskets of pulses and beans had been scattered for soil restoration on the banks of dump sites. A total of 200 plants had been planted within a 100-foot radius of zone (2). Arrangements are being made to plant 22000 tissues of eucalyptus and scatter 30000 Maezale seeds at Wathmae-Kantaw nursery, 30000 tissues of eucalyptus and 20000 tree saplings at Hsede-Zeetaw Ywathit village this rainy season. Plans are underway to plant trees under contour line at vacant hillocks in zone (3).
- (iii) A total of 1000 saplings had been planted in the area of 160 acres in the sanctuary area. Plans are underway to set 32.09 acres for providing new habitat for golden deer and more 861 plants had been grown for greening of Shwethamin sanctuary. Chain Link fencing works are underway to keep golden deer in an area of two acres at Natchittaung.
- (iv) The environmental conservation committee had made field trips to villages for 19 times to hold discussions on people-centered environmental conservation and ensuring the Rule of Law and listen to the voice of local people.
- (c) The socioeconomic implementation committee coordinated with Union of Myanmar Economic Holdings Limited, Wenbao Company and the Ministry of Mines for the sake of the economic interest of the State in implementing the copper mining project.

(1) A work coordination meeting of the Ministry of Mines, Union of Myanmar Economic Holdings Limited, Myanmar Wenbao Company Limited, the Ministry of Finance and Revenue, the Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development, the Attorney-General of the Union and experts was held on 24 June 2013 and a contract was drawn in accord with the suggestions of those present. The draft contract with the remarks of the Attorney-General Office was submitted to the Investment Commission on 8 July 2013. When ongoing works are done in accord with the rules and regulations, transparent disclosure of information regarding the contract

will be made.

- (2) As a drive for Corporate Social Responsibility, K 1361.4 million had been allocated for the villages in the project area for 2013-2014 fiscal year. Health sector includes construction of a station hospital and sports ground, health care service and availability of water. Education sector includes construction of libraries and provisions of publications and furniture for the libraries in 30 villages and construction of primary schools. Social sector includes village electrification process and repair works for village roads. Moreover, two fire trucks and 15 sets of computers and 20 sewing-machines had been presented to the new villages.
- (3) At houses in newly-established villages, deputy ministers and regional ministers coordinated with representatives of village development groups and took measures for extension of kitchen at houses of under-five-member families and for building affiliated parts of the houses of over-five-member families for their convenience at their houses. So far, nine houses in Sede new village, six houses in Zidaw new village, 29 houses in Wat-hme new village, 42 houses in Kandaw new village totaling 86. At the villages, wooden lamp post were replaced with concrete ones and new transformers were installed and streets were constructed in the villages and village-to-village roads were constructed.
- (4) Under the program of the Ministry of Education, work on construction and maintenance work were carried out at Moegyobyin (north) Basic Education Primary School, Wadan Basic Education Primary School, Aungchansi Basic Education Primary School, Kyauphyudaing post-primary school, Phaungkar post-primary school (north) and Htantawgyi Village Basic Education Primary School.
- (5) Under the program of the Ministry of Health, plans are underway to establish a station hospital and to assign doctors, nurses and to provide medicines to rural health branches in accord with the organizational set up of the health care services.
- (6) As it is found that the water in the well in Kangan Village in Dondaw Village-tract is not suitable to drink, Union of Myanmar Economic Holdings Ltd have sunk a 4-inch tube-well and built a tank with a capacity of 5000 gallons and Myanmar-Yanxi installed two water purifier at the cost of USD 7000 in the eastern part of the village. In response to the report of the villagers on getting access to safe drinking water in western and northern parts of the village, responsible personnel of the Acid Plant sank a tube well till it reaches at the depth of 605 ft and found only mud. They took water found at the depth of 170 ft as a sample and tested it at a laboratory of Ministry of Health. As the laboratory test has shown that the water is not suitable to drink,

arrangements will be made to pipe water from the water purifier at the eastern part of the village to northern and western parts of the village.

- (7) To be able to create job opportunities, a computer training course was conducted at Wat-hme – Kandaw Village and 90 trainees have received computer skills, a vocational training course has trained 80 trainees, an advanced tailoring course has trained 26 trainees and a tailoring course has trained 150 trainees at Sarlingyi Garment Factory. A three-month tailoring course was launched on 3, June, 2013 and a trainee will receive K 2700 per day as a daily wage during the training period. One hundred and twenty-five trainees who have already received on-job training skills have been assigned to the mining project, and jobs have been created for a total of 1180 local people. Arrangements have been made to create more jobs for about 1300 people when the project is accelerated.
- (8) Regarding Sulphuric Acid Plant, the regional government and regional environmental conservation and forest ministry, regional ministry of health and fire services department have inspected the plant to seek permission from Ministry of Industry, and measures are being taken to get permission from Ministry of Industry. To get ISO certificate as part of efforts for taking part in the environmental conservation, the plant has already signed agreement with the GIC (Guardian Independent Certification) Myanmar Co Ltd which is sub-branch of Singapore branch office of UK-based Company on 8 May 2013.
- (D) Following the suggestions of the investigation commission to seek advices from the reverence Sayadaws and Members of the Sangha, to seek desires of the residents and to seek possible and sustainable means, the group which is taking measures for relocation of religious edifices and reconstructing, has been working together Stragha Evolution Building Shift Engineering Co Ltd from the People's Republic of China to be able to move the Latpadaungtaungyar Tawra Monastery and religious edifices to a suitable place. Paying respect to the belief of local people, three shrines near Kyaw Village have been moved to the place where they wanted and conducted ritual ceremonies.

3. The committee, in accordance with the suggestions of the investigation commission, has set up four groups. Region ministers, under the closely supervision of Sagaing Region Chief Minister, have made daily field trips to villages and have worked together with respective village development groups to implement the development tasks. The progress of the work will be reported occasionally.

Committee for Implementing the Investigation report on Latpadaungtaung Copper Mining Project Commission
8, July 2013



Anti-government militants attend a surrender ceremony in Balkh Province in northern of Afghanistan on 7 July, 2013. Seven anti-government militants laid down arms and joined the government-backed peace process in Balkh Province on Sunday.—XINHUA

Police arrest suspect in terror attacks in Buddhist temple in eastern India

NEW DELHI, 8 July — Indian authorities said on Monday they have detained a suspect in the multiple terror attacks that rocked a world famous Buddhist temple in the eastern state of Bihar on Sunday, injuring at least five people, including two Tibetan monks.

Investigators have also released the close circuit television footage of the blasts and said they are analyzing the im-

ages of 48 hours in the run up to the series of eight blasts inside the Mahabodhi temple in Bodhgaya town, some 130 km from state capital Patna. "We have detained a suspect and are questioning him. We are also analyzing the CCTV footage of the temple. We may release sketches of the suspect," a police official said, on condition of anonymity. In fact, the first blast took place inside the Mahabodhi temple at 5.30 am

local time on Sunday and was followed by seven successive explosions in the next 30 minutes. While four explosions took place inside the temple, the other four happened outside; another two live bombs were detected and defused. "It was a terror attack. The National Investigation Agency (anti-terror probe agency) has been sent to investigate the blasts," Indian Home Secretary Anil Goswami had said in

the national capital. However, there has been no damage to the temple or its 1,500-year-old main shrine.

"I have seen the inside of the Mahabodhi shrine and it is not affected. The blasts took place outside the main shrine, including where there is a Japanese temple housing a big statue of the Buddha," Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar said, after visiting the spot on Sunday. — Xinhua

PERSPECTIVES

Tuesday, 9 July, 2013

International convention on business ethics

It is obvious that positive changes the reforms of Myanmar have been bringing and the fruits our people are enjoying can be even witnessed well by the international community. But that is not enough for our reforms. The country will work hard on laying sound foundations and favorable political environment that are essential for long-term development.

In fact, the main objective of the reforms undertaken by the government in office during the last two years has been the creation of a better future for prosperity. It has started with the most fundamental aspect of the reforms or in other words 'political reforms' by introducing constitutional governance and new governance institutions. Here, most of government institutions must be adapted, while there will be addition of some new institutions.

The present administration is also in the process of helping institutions such as the legislature, the judiciary, political parties and the media to play effective roles and perform well in the governance system of checks and balances. Moreover, public administrative reform is under way for better public services.

On account of these reforms the government is on the path towards setting up a more transparent and inclusive political process. We understand that changing the political system alone is not sufficient for a successful democratization process. So the government will have to let the political culture and values grow within the relevant stakeholders and our citizenry as a whole so that we can foster our democracy well.

In its economic liberalization process, the government has ended the former system of establishing economic relations with a small number of countries and started undertaking the measures that will allow us to have closer cooperation with the entire global business community. And in dealing with the international community Myanmar will be abiding by the international convention on business ethics and environment.

Myanmar clarifies Iran on recent riots, resettlement

NAY PYI TAW, 8 July—The third Myanmar-Iran Deputy Foreign Ministers' meeting was held at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, here, on 3 July. During the meeting, promotion of bilateral ties between the two countries and progress of mutual cooperation in economic, trade, energy, hydropower, cultural and educational sectors were discussed. Besides, Deputy Foreign Minister U Zin Yaw clarified the recent riots that erupted in the country and undertakings for resettlement by the Union government.

The Iranian delegation

was led by Dr. Seyed Abbas Araghchi, Iranian Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs for Asia and Pacific of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Iranian delegation met with the deputy energy minister, the deputy electric power minister and the deputy education minister, and discussed bilateral cooperation between the two countries. On 4 July, the Iranian delegation also held discussions on bilateral cooperation with Union Minister for Religious Affairs U Hsan Sint and Union Foreign Affairs Minister U Wunna Maung Lwin.—MNA

ARTICLE

Record of meeting between Union Information Minister U Aung Kyi and Myanmar Press Council (Temporary)

Wai Yan Maung

Printing and Publishing Bill which has been approved by Pyithu Hluttaw on 4, July 2013 has drawn criticisms. It is found that what Union Minister U Aung Kyi told the Press Council (temporary) in the criticisms levelled at the bill are different from the facts that the Union Minister told the Press Council (Temporary) during the meeting. That's why, I, as a person who has kept records of the meeting between the Union Minister and the council, want to disclose all the facts.

The meeting between Union Minister for Information U Aung Kyi and five-member delegation of Myanmar Press Council (Temporary) including the chairman and secretary of the council at the Printing and Publishing Enterprise in Yangon on 23 March was the only one between the Union Information Minister and Myanmar Press Council in 2013. There was no official meeting between the Union minister and the press council (temporary) apart from that one and the communication has been through the officers of the ministry. The following is the translation of the speech of the Union minister who always does as what he has said in his meeting with the representatives of the Myanmar Press Council (Temporary).

"I'm grateful that you all are here. First and foremost, I'm really sorry that the printing and publishing draft law was publicized without prior agreement with the Press Council. I know that I'd lost somewhat of my reputation for that. But, I just have done what I should do. The second point is we've systematically put forward the bill in line with the Section 77 of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Rules which says that a Union level agency is empowered to put forward proposal to Pyidaungsu Hluttaw.

The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw accepted the bill and assigned the Pyithu Hluttaw to consider it as the initial stage. Then the Pyithu Hluttaw has summoned the officials of our ministry twice for questions after the bill was sent to it

and we responded to their questions. The Bill Committee submitted their amendments to the bill to Pyithu Hluttaw on 7 July. There are the handouts of their amendments, given to Saya U Khin Maung Aye. They are what the Bill Committee has informed the Pyithu Hluttaw representatives. I hope we can discuss based on those points. After the Pyithu Hluttaw representatives have been informed, the committee has appointed a date for further discussion of them and it's said the Pyithu Hluttaw representatives have proposed for further discussion.

Meanwhile, the Bill Committee will remain in operation when the seventh regular session of Pyithu Hluttaw concludes. I believe this is an excellent opportunity for us. We can discuss the draft law with the press council (temporary) before it could be submitted to the Hluttaw. We have the chance to submit the bill to the Bill Committee anytime before the next Hluttaw session. Some say in news that the discussion would be suspended, postponed, or dropped. None of them is true.

It is still ongoing and that's why we are holding discussion. If there does exist suspension or postponing, we can't hold the discussion. Therefore, the present situation is a good one for us. I'm very glad to meet and talk about the bill. Now, I've escaped from the sense of guilty and am also pleased. The executive board can make amendments to the bill where the need arises. **I won't be hesitant to accept anything that meets international norms.** This is my initial discussion. The second point is **the Press Council**

can continue drafting its own press law. We have made some suggestions about their press law but we haven't received any responses from them until February.

The press law should encompass the organizational structure and authority of press council, protection of journalists, and the right to information, and whatever in compliance with international norms. The rights and protection of journalists can be embodied in it and complaint mechanism as well. They have many things they want to cover. You know, a lot of countries have printing and publishing law apart from press law and media law. But the press law and the media law are different. We've at first requested the council to cover somewhat of printing and publishing in their draft, but for some reasons, they were not mentioned. Then, there came some misunderstanding and trouble when we take actions in line with the procedure of Section 77 of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Rules.

Here, I'd like to stress that there is nothing the government is doing for its own interests. In fact, it is working for the future of our country, for the welfare of the citizens. We'll do anything good for our country and citizens. We don't know how long we'll be in positions of power. I myself have let the things go. I'd like to have things done properly—proper freedom, proper protection and in compliance with proper procedure.

As the printing and publishing draft law has been submitted, the Press Council can write anything they consider necessary in its draft press law like

protection of journalist, access to information and anything concerned with journalism. We welcome the amendments of the Press Council to our printing and publishing draft law. You can also formulate your draft to your satisfaction. We'd **recommend your bill to the Bill Committee. We'd support and put it forward. We won't get the rights of our journalists threatened anyhow and the only requirement is your draft meets the international norms.** I guarantee it hundred per cent. What's more, **we won't let any threat to the freedom of expression. So, formulate the press law until you satisfy.** We'd like to lend a helping hand as much as possible.

We know that there have been some difficulties in drafting process. Though, we'd like to help, we haven't gotten the chance. I'd like to request in all seriousness closer cooperation for development of our country and our media world.

(Note: The Information Ministry has recommended and submitted the amendments of the Press Council (Temporary) to printing and publishing draft law to the **Bill Committee on 8 May** as the two parties have agreed and also sent the copies to press council (temporary) and printers and publishers associations. The July 5 issue of *Kyemon Daily* quoted a responsible person from the Bill Committee as saying the bill committee has taken the amendments of the Press Council (Temporary) into consideration.)

(To be continued)

NATIONAL

Senior General Min Aung Hlaing attends opening of four nations invitational friendly football tournament

NAY PYI TAW, 8 July—The opening of Myanmar, Thailand, India and Singapore invitational friendly football tournament took place at Zeyathiri Tatmadaw Stadium, here, this evening, attended by Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Min Aung Hlaing.

Chairman of Tatmadaw Sports and Physical Education Management Committee Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Khin Zaw Oo cut the ribbon to open the football tournament and greeted the captains of football teams.

Then, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing and Supreme Commander of Royal Thai Armed Forces General Tanasak Patimapragorn greeted the players from Myanmar and Thai players.

Myanmar Tatmadaw football team beat Thai Tatmadaw football team 1-0.

The opening of friendly football tourney was attended by the Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services and wife, the Supreme Commander of Royal Thai

Armed Forces and wife, the Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services and wife, senior military officers from the Office of Commander-in-Chief and their wives, senior military officers of Royal Thai Armed Forces, members of WVO, invited guests and locals.

The invitational football tournament will last till 14 July for promoting amity among servicemen from regional countries and turning out outstanding footballers.

MNA



Senior General Min Aung Hlaing and Supreme Commander of Royal Thai Armed Forces General Tanasak Patimapragorn enjoy football match.—MNA



Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann meets President of US-ASEAN Business Council and party

NAY PYI TAW, 8 July—Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann received a delegation led by President Mr. Alexander Feldman of the US-ASEAN Business Council at Zabuthiri Hall of Hluttaw Complex, here, this evening.

They had a cordial discussion on investment and economic cooperation between Myanmar and the US.

Also present at the call together with Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann were Pyithu Hluttaw Deputy Speaker U Nanda Kyaw Swa, Pyithu Hluttaw Committee Chairmen U Maung Maung Thein, U Thein Zaw, U Thein Swe, U Hla Myint



Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann holds talks with President Mr. Alexander Feldman of the US-ASEAN Business Council.—MNA

Oo, U T Khun Myat, U Htay Myint and the committee secretaries, the committee and officials of the Hluttaw Office.—MNA

Union FM meets Indian counterpart



Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin receives Mr. Ranjan Mathai, Foreign Secretary of External Affairs of India.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 8 July—Union Minister for Foreign Affairs of Myanmar U Wunna Maung Lwin received His Excellency Mr. Ranjan Mathai, Foreign Secretary of External Affairs of India, at the Ministry of Foreign

Affairs this morning.

The Indian Foreign Secretary and delegation were in Nay Pyi Taw to attend the 13th Myanmar-India Foreign Office Consultations between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Myanmar

and the Ministry of External Affairs of India.

During the meeting, they discussed and exchanged views on enhancing the existing friendly relations and cooperation.

MNA

Union Minister receives Malaysian Ambassador

NAY PYI TAW, 8 July—Union Minister for Labour, Employment and Social Security U Maung Myint received Malaysian Ambassador to Myanmar Dr Ahmad Faisal Muhamad at his office, here this morning.

During the meeting, they had a cordial discussion on measures to be carried out for 100,000 workers who haven't got official documents out of 300,000 workers in Malaysia to become legal workers,

Malaysian government's closely assistance in security of Myanmar workers and sending workers to Malaysia soon after the current situation had returned to normalcy.

MNA



Union Minister for Labour, Employment and Social Security U Maung Myint meets Malaysian Ambassador to Myanmar Dr Ahmad Faisal Muhamad.

MNA

LOCAL NEWS

NATIONAL SPORTS

Education Colleges meet in soccer friendly



MEIKTILA, 8 July—A friendly match between Meiktila Education College Women's Football Team and Monywa Education College Women's Football Team played at the former's sports ground, here, yesterday and

the principals and trainee teachers of each Education Collage enjoyed the match. Monywa Education College beat Meiktila Education College with a 3-0 result.

Kyemon-579

9th new generation painting and sculpture show held in Mandalay

MANDALAY, 8 July—9th Art Show of the new generation students from National Culture and Fine Arts University (Mandalay) of Fine Arts Department under the Ministry of Culture took place at Kuthodaw Gallery in Aungmyethazan Township, Mandalay Region on 6 July

morning.

On behalf of Painting and Sculpture Department, Professor/Dean U Tin Maung Lwin reported on the presentation of the art show and Head of Region Information and Public Relations Department U Kyaw Than Tun presented permit of art show to an

official. Then, Deputy Minister for Culture U Than Swe formally opened the show and looked round the painting and sculpture works.

A total of 87 paintings and 15 sculptures were displayed at the art show.

Kyemon-Kyaw Min Thaw (Mandalay)

One killed in car accident in Insein Tsp

YANGON, 8 July—A head-on collision between a TE Container and a motorbike killed an identified man on Phowgan-

Mingaladon Lower Street in Insein Township, here, on 5 July. TE car driver Aung Than Zaw, 36, son of U Aung Kyaw Win,

Aletoke Upper Village in Taikkyi Township is charged under Section 304 (a) by Insein Police Station.

Kyemon-684

ACCIDENT

CRIME REDUCTION

Criminal knowledge shared in Nyaunglebin

YANGON, 8 July—The talks on crime reduction and elimination of gambling organized by Nyaunglebin Township Police Force of Bago Region was held at the hall of Basic Education Primary School in Hospital Ward of Myoma 3 in Nyaunglebin Township yesterday.

Commander of Township Police Force Police Major Tin Aung explained ways to crime reduction and recruitment, Station Head Police Captain Thet Lwin common criminal cases, and leader of surveillance squad IP Win Htut Aung awareness for attempts of crime brokers



and cooperation between the people and members of police force.

Myoma Ward 3 administrator U Khin Swe Thaug spoke words of thanks.

Policemen distributed

pamphlets on crime reduction to those present.

Also present on the occasion were the secretary of Township Writers Association, local authorities and people.

H

Self-reliant bridge inaugurated in Meiktila Tsp

CONSTRUCTION

MEIKTILA, 8 July—Kyiphyu Myitta self-reliant concrete bridge, linking South and North Pyithaya Wards in Meiktila Township, was opened yesterday.

Meiktila Township Administrator U Myo Hlaing, Meiktila Township Development Affairs Committee Deputy Senior Engineer U Aung Myo Thwin and Bridge Construction Committee Chairman U Kyaw Zeya cut the ribbon to open the bridge.

Deputy District Commissioner U Tin Maung Soe unveiled the stone inscription and officials sprinkled scented water on the stone inscription.

Then, a committee member presented K



100,000 to U Tin Than for his technological assistance.

The bridge is 30 ft long and 16 ft wide, and the

pedestrian way on either side is 22 ft long and 3 ft wide. It was built at a cost of 7.5 million contributed

by local people of the two wards and Myatnoepiti social organization.

Kyemon-759

Anti-dengue fever campaign carried out in Lanmadaw

YANGON, 8 July—Spraying for preventive measures against dengue fever was carried out in ward-5 in Lanmadaw Township of Yangon Region on 6 July.

Sanitation and spraying, talks on health knowledge and demonstration were undertaken every Saturday in Lanmadaw.

Talks on health knowledge were shared at the ward administrator's office and preventive measures against dengue fever were demonstrated on Hledan



Street. It was attended by Lanmadaw Township Administrator U Kyaw Zin and officials, Township

MCWA chairperson Daw Nilar Myaing and local people.

Kyemon-Maung Say Aung

ANTI-NARCOTIC DRIVES

Haul of opium seized in Waingmaw

WAINGMAW, 8 July—Peace and stability has been restored in Kachin State after holding peace talks between Union Peace-making Work Committee and KIO/KIA. The commander of Kachin State Police Force has adopted plans for effective implementation of anti-narcotics drug scheme.

Under the management of the commander of Kachin State Police Force, Police

Inspector Kyaw Win, SIP Myo Win Naing and police members from Myoma Police Station together with witnesses searched the house of U Da Shi Tu (51 years), son of U La Htaw Naw, Farmer in Ward-1 in Wahshaung Village of Waingmaw Township.

They seized two packets of opium weighing 313.53 grams worth K 470,295. The drug possessor was charged

under the law at Myoma police station by SIP Win Ko Ko.

The officials investigated U Da Shi Tu who confesses that he purchased the drugs from a Chinese woman from the road to Sadon Sub-Township. The case is under investigation to arrest the drug-related persons.

Kyemon-Moe Kya (Myitkyina)

Police talk combating crime

YANGON, 8 July—The talks on combating child sex abuse was held at the office of Ward 94 administrator in Yuzana Garden City of Dagon Myothit (Seikkan) Township in Yangon Region at 8 am on 6 July.

The Deputy Commander

of Township Police Force and Head of the station explained that police is on the patrol at anytime for security of the people.

They urged the people should inform the police force of suspected activities. If the police and the people

joined hand in hand, the criminal cases would be exposed as quickly as possible. The people should look after the children for their activities and give advice to the children not to believe anything easily.

Kyemon-512

REGIONAL

Japan PM Abe seeks personal redemption in upper house election



Japan's Prime Minister Shinzo Abe gestures as he delivers a speech at a seminar in Tokyo in this 5 June, 2013 file photo. — REUTERS

TOKYO, 8 July—Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe is a man with a mission: to erase the bitter stain of defeat and attain personal political redemption with a victory in a national election this month. With his Liberal Democratic Party-led coalition (LDP) back in power since December and all but assured of a handsome win in a 21 July poll for parliament's upper

house, Abe might forgive for slowing his pace a bit.

But allies and critics agree the 58-year-old heir to an elite political family will not rest until the votes are counted and his ruling bloc is in control of the chamber, reversing a humiliating defeat that led to his resignation six years ago. "I guess history is a turn of Fortune's wheel. The LDP led by Prime Minister Abe suffered a crushing defeat

in the last (2007) upper house election, which led us to lose power," Abe's close ally Chief Cabinet Secretary Yoshihide Suga told a news conference last week as the official campaign commenced.

"We must resolve the split in parliament through this upper house election. By doing so, Prime Minister Abe can finally get his revenge from the defeat of six years ago." —Reuters

Cambodia marks 5th anniversary of Preah Vihear temple status on World Heritage List



PHNOM PENH, 8 July—Cambodia celebrated the fifth anniversary of the inscription of the 11th century Preah Vihear temple on the UNESCO's prestigious World Heritage List on Sunday evening. Around 10,000 Cambodians filled the capital's Olympic Stadium for traditional art performances and concert hosted by Deputy Prime Minister and Cabinet Minister Sok An and simulcast on all local television channels. The

celebration was to promote awareness of the temple to Cambodian young generations and to show the country's pride that the temple gained the world heritage status, Sok An said.

"Preah Vihear temple is the emblem of Cambodia's pride and is a part of the whole humanity heritage," he told the rally. Preah Vihear, a Hindu temple, is located on the top of a 525-meter cliff in the Dangrek Mountains, about 500 km

northwest of Phnom Penh, capital of Cambodia.

The temple had been a flashpoint of sporadic armed clashes between Cambodian and Thai troops between July 2008 and May 2011. The Hague-based International Court of Justice (ICJ) awarded Cambodia the temple and its vicinity on 15 June, 1962, but Thailand claimed the ownership of 4.6 square kilometres of scrub next to the temple in 2008, triggering deadly armed conflicts.

Cambodia said in 2011 that during armed clashes, about 414 mortar and artillery shells had fallen on the temple and caused serious damage to the temple. The country brought the case of the disputed land of 4.6 square kilometres to the ICJ in April 2011 and the court is expected to issue a decision on whether Cambodia or Thailand will own the land

Summer heat leaves 1 dead, 740 taken to hospital across Japan

TOKYO, 8 July—Temperatures rose above 35 C in many parts of Japan on Sunday, resulting in the death of one man and at least 740 people being taken to hospital due to apparent heatstroke, according to a Kyodo News survey. In the city of Shikokuchuo in Ehime Prefecture, a 50-year-old man was taken to hospital and later confirmed dead, apparently due to heatstroke.

A high-pressure system over the Pacific Ocean brought southerly winds, raising temperatures from the Kyushu region in southwestern Japan to Hokkaido in the north. Three people also died and three people, including two children, went missing in water-related accidents across the country. Temperatures topped 35 C at 27 observation points across the archipelago, with the temperature in Owase in Mie Prefecture, central Japan, hitting 37.0 C, the Japan Meteorological Agency said. The mercury rose above 35 C for the first time this summer in the Tokyo metropolitan area on Sunday, with the temperature in the central Otemachi District climbing to 35.4 C, it added.

Kasama in Ibaraki Prefecture and Tajimi in Gifu Prefecture recorded 36.2 C and 36.1 C, respectively, while Koshigaya in Saitama Prefecture and Higashiomi in Shiga Prefecture saw 35.9 C and 35.6 C, respectively.

In Hokkaido, the town of Ikeda recorded 33.9 C, while the cities of Obihiro and Kushiro saw temperatures climb to 33.6 C and 32.7 C, respectively, over 10 degrees higher than average. The weather agency said temperatures will rise on Monday across Japan, especially in cities

including Tokyo, Saitama, Gifu and Nagoya, and called on people to take precautions against heatstroke.

According to local police and fire stations, 10 junior high school students, who were taking part in a baseball game at a school in Saitama Prefecture, were taken to hospital, after they showed symptoms of heatstroke. Six female high school students in Ibaraki, who were at a baseball field to cheer on high school baseball games, were also taken to hospital for suspected heatstroke.

Kyodo News



Women touch an ice pillar near Shibuya Station in Tokyo on 7 July, 2013. Temperatures rose above 35 C in the Tokyo metropolitan area the same day.

KYODO NEWS

Japan interested in fostering ties with Iran

TEHERAN, 8 July—Japanese Ambassador to Iran Koji Haneda said on Sunday that his country is interested in fostering ties with the Islamic republic, official IRNA news agency reported. Haneda said so on the sidelines of a forum on investment opportunities underway in Iran's north-western city of Tabriz.

As a result of anti-Iran sanctions imposed by the United States and other Western countries, the volume of Teheran-Tokyo trade transactions has declined in the past years, the Japanese envoy said,

adding that, however, mutual trade and Japan's oil imports from Iran are continuing.

The fourth International Forum on Investment Opportunities of Iran's East Azerbaijan Province opened in Tabriz on Saturday. Some 400 domestic and foreign investors from 35 countries are participating in the two-day event.

Exchange of technical and commercial experiences, as well as promotion of investment potentials are among the main objectives of the event.

Xinhua

Xinhua



Photo taken on 7 July, 2013 shows the flooded road in Wuchang District of Wuhan, capital of central China's Hubei Province. Wuhan was hit by the heaviest rainstorm in five years from Saturday to Sunday. The local meteorologic centre has issued red alert for rainstorm for many times in sequence.

XINHUA

ADVERTISEMENT & GENERAL

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV KOTA TABAH VOY NO (561)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA TABAH VOY NO (561) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 8.7.2013 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.

**SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: M/S ADVANCE CONTAINER
LINES**

Phone No: 256908/378316/376797

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV ESM CREMONA VOY NO (075)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV ESM CREMONA VOY NO (075) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 8.7.2013 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.P 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 ORINET OVERSEAS
CONTAINER LINES**

Phone No: 256908/378316/376797

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV GSS YANGON VOY NO (1324)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV GSS YANGON VOY NO (1324) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 9.7.2013 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

**SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: M/S CHINA SHIPPING (MALAY-
SIA) AGENCY SDN BHD**

Phone No: 256908/378316/376797

Indian officials in Afghanistan to discuss equipment supplies

NEW DELHI, 8 July — India has sent civilian and military officials to Afghanistan to discuss equipment supplies and cooperation in this area, after Afghan President Hamid Karzai asked India to supply lethal weapons, reported Press Trust of India on Sunday.

“As a follow-up to Prime Minister's discussions

with President Karzai, a joint Defence Ministry and MEA (Ministry of External Affairs) delegation consisting of civilian and military officials is in Kabul to discuss all aspects regarding equipment supplies and is looking to enhance cooperation in this area,” the report quoted official sources as saying in New Delhi.—Xinhua

THE REPUBLIC OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR

MINISTRY OF ENERGY

MYANMA OIL AND GAS ENTERPRISE
(INVITATION FOR OPENED TENDER)

(2/2013)

Open tenders are invited for supply of the following respective items in United States Dollars and Myanmar Kyats.

Sr.No	Tender No	Description	Qty	Remark
(1)	IFB -011(2013-2014)	HP Design Jet 44" Plotter with Direct Jet	(1) Lot	US \$
(2)	IFB -012(2013-2014)	1500 Series Well Head Assy	(1) Lot	US \$
(3)	IFB -013(2013-2014)	900 Series Well Head Assy	(1) Lot	US \$
(4)	IFB -014(2013-2014)	600 Series Well Head Assy	(1) Lot	US \$
(5)	IFB -015(2013-2014)	Casing Lines (Steel Wire Ropes)	(1) Lot	US \$
(6)	IFB -016(2013-2014)	Cement Additives (Anti Foams & Silica Flour)	(2) Items	US \$
(7)	IFB -017(2013-2014)	Electrical Spares for USS Oil Well Rig	(8) Items	US \$
(8)	IFB -018(2013-2014)	20"LSAW API 5 L X-46 3 LPE Steel Line Pipe	(48285)MTR	US \$
(9)	IFB -019(2013-2014)	14" ERW API 5 L X-46 3 LPE Steel Line Pipe	(53110) MTR	US \$
(10)	IFB -020(2013-2014)	10" ERW API 5 L X-42 3 LPE Steel Line Pipe	(32190) MTR	US \$
(11)	DMP/L-006 (2013-2014)	Barite Powder	(5,000) MT	Kyat
(12)	DMP/L-007(2013-2014)	(a) 1 1/2" Dia Manila Rope (b) 1 1/4" Dia Manila Rope	(50) Coils (85) Coils	Kyat
(13)	DMP/L-008(2013-2014)	Electrode, Head Shrinkable Sleeve and Closure Patches	(1) Lot	Kyat
(14)	DMP/L-009(2013-2014)	Air Conditioner (1.5) HP (Split Type)	(11) Sets	Kyat
(15)	DMP/L-010(2013-2014)	Geological Mud testing Equipment	(4) Items	Kyat

-Tender Closing Date & Time -

5-8-2013, 1300 Hrs

Tender Document shall be available during office hours commencing from 8th July 2013 at the Material Planning Department, Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise, No (44) Complex, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar.

Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise
Ph: +95 67 -411097/411206

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV GUNKUL 1 VOY NO (-)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV GUNKUL 1 VOY NO (-) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 8.7.2013 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of N.E.A/M.I.P.L 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: KULNATEE CO LTD**

Phone No: 256924/256914

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV HAN SPIRIT VOY NO ()

Consignees of cargo carried on MV HAN SPIRIT VOY NO () are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 7.7.2013 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.T.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.

**SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: M/S HANNARA SHIPPING
CO LTD**

Phone No: 256916/256919/256921

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV GOLDEN FAN VOY NO (6)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV GOLDEN FAN VOY NO (6) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 8.7.2013 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.P.L 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: SEALS CO LTD**

Phone No: 256924/256914

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV DA FU VOY NO ()

Consignees of cargo carried on MV DA FU VOY NO () are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 8.7.2013 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of S.P.W (7) 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 COSCO SHIPPING CO LTD**

Phone No: 256916/256919/256921

Don't Smoke

ADVERTISEMENT & ENTERTAINMENT

TRADEMARK CAUTION

Ligman Lighting Company Limited, a company incorporated in Thailand and having its registered office at 2912 Ladprao Road, Klongjun, Bangkok, 10240, Thailand is the owner and proprietor of the following Trademark:



Reg. No. 4/4075/2013
(24 April 2013)

In respect of "Luminaires, Lighting fittings, Lighting fixtures, Lighting apparatus, and all apparatus of lighting" in **International Class 11**.

Fraudulent or unauthorised use or actual or colourable imitation of the Mark shall be dealt with according to law.

U Than Maung, Advocate
For **Ligman Lighting Company Limited**,
C/o **Kelvin Chia Yangon Ltd**
#1508-1509, 15th floor,
Sakura Tower, Kyauktada Township, Yangon,
The Republic of the Union of Myanmar
Dated 9 July 2013
utm@kcyangon.com

Rolling Stones deliver biggest bang in nostalgic London show

LONDON, 8 July— The Rolling Stones blasted through the past into the present on Saturday with a rip-roaring show in London's Hyde Park that paid homage to their last concert here 44 years ago.

Frontman Mick Jagger strutted, howled and belted his way through a two-hour set that gave a nod to founding member Brian Jones, whose death in 1969 turned their last appearance at the royal park into a tribute.

"Anybody out there who was here in 1969?" Jagger called out to applause from a sea of grey hair after opening with "Start Me Up" and "It's only Rock and Roll".

"Well welcome back, it's nice to see you again."

Jones had already left the Stones the last time Jagger, guitarist Keith Richards and drummer Charlie Watts played the park at a gig meant to introduce his replacement, Mick Tay-

lor Guitariest Ronnie Wood joined in 1975. But two days before their appearance, the 27-year-old Jones drowned in his swimming pool under the influence of drugs and alcohol, turning that concert into a commemoration.

Now the band with an average age of 69 stormed through the classics from "Brown Sugar" and "Honky Tonk Woman" to "Jumpin' Jack Flash" and "Sympathy for the Devil" — with rubber-lipped Jagger strumming the guitar for the latest single "Doom and Gloom".

The Stones bounded across the stage and along a catwalk stretching into the sea of 65,000 fans gathered on a sultry summer evening in 21st century central London, sipping beer. The unmistakable aroma of marijuana wafted in the air.

The night belonged to the reconciliation of past and present for a crowd of old and young steeped in Stones lore, watching the



Drummer Charlie Watts, Mick Jagger and Keith Richards (R) of the Rolling Stones perform at the British Summer Time Festival in Hyde Park in London on 6 July, 2013.—REUTERS

band on stage with images of past concerts occasionally flashing past on big screens rising up behind the band.

Jagger donned a white smock-like outfit similar to the one he wore in 1969, played the harmonica and quoted a piece

of poetry. The references to Jones and the old days were unmistakable even if his name was never mentioned.

Retuers

When Huma Qureshi was apprehensive to shoot sans make-up

MUMBAI, 8 July—Actress Huma Qureshi has said she was initially apprehensive about giving her nod for a no make-up look in short film Sujata.

Sujata is one of the short films from Anurag Kashyap's collection Shorts, which is directed by Shlok Sharma.

"Shlok wanted me without make-up in the film, as it is a hard-hitting story and needed that look," said the actress.

Huma said she finally decided to go de-glam for the character.

Scripted by Annie Zaidi, Sujata is a 10-minute short film about the protagonist played by Huma, who takes on her childhood tormentor.

The film created waves at the 10th Indian Film Festival of Los Angeles.

The film is slated to release on 12 July.—PTI



Actress Huma Qureshi

Justin Timberlake's new music video banned on YouTube

LOS ANGELES, 8 July—Singer-songwriter-actor Justin Timberlake's new music video Tunnel Vision has been banned by YouTube after it was deemed too explicit.

The Mirrors hitmaker's latest video features topless models performing a series of provocative dance moves.

The 32-year-old, who is married to actress Jessica Biel, wasn't worried about the controversy and promoted the song on Twitter, reports femalefirst.co.uk.

"Check out the new video for Tunnel Vision and be ready, it's explicit," Timberlake posted on Twitter.

The arty video is the third release from Timberlake's best-selling album The 20/20 Experience.

PTI



Justin Timberlake

Nicole Scherzinger finds break-up unpleasant

LOS ANGELES, 8 July—Singer Nicole Scherzinger, who broke up with Formula One driver Lewis Hamilton recently, feels splits are unpleasant.

Hamilton, 28, and Scherzinger, 35, dated on and off for five years, but they split because they couldn't spend enough time with each other, as the driver is based in Switzerland, while the singer is settled in the US.

And Scherzinger opened up for the first time about the split during the auditions of The X Factor in Cardiff, reports contactmusic.com.

After watching an aspirant performing an emotional song, the singer said that "it pulled on my heartstrings" and then empathised with the teary tune's lyrics about the end of a relationship. She said: "It sucks doesn't it? Really sucks."—PTI

Singer Nicole Scherzinger and Formula One driver Lewis Hamilton have split again.



SPORTS

Murray beats Djokovic to end Britain's 77-year wait



Andy Murray (L) of Britain shows the trophy with Novak Djokovic of Serbia during the awarding ceremony for the men's singles event on day 13 of the Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships at the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club in London, Britain, on 7 July, 2013.—XINHUA

LONDON, 8 July—Andy Murray beat Novak Djokovic 6-4, 7-5, 6-4 on Sunday to become the first Briton to win the Wimbledon men's singles title since 1936.

Murray, the second seed, broke top seed Djokovic twice in the first set on a baking Centre Court and held serve to love to clinch it in exactly an hour.

Djokovic regrouped quickly, however, and led 4-1 in the second set before Murray roared back, breaking the rattled top seed twice to take it 7-5.

Murray led 2-0 in the third set with Djokovic looking beaten but the Serb hit back to win the next four games.

Murray responded to break serve twice and served for the match at 5-4. He led 40-0 but Djokovic saved all three championship points before Murray clinched victory at the fourth attempt after three hours nine minutes when the Serbian net-

ted a backhand, sparking wild celebrations around the court.

"That was one of the toughest moments, today was unbelievably tough match," Murray said in a court-side interview after lifting the trophy. "I don't know how I came through the final three points, I'm so glad to do it."

"I have played Novak many times and when everyone finishes playing, he will go down as one of the fighters," the Scot added. "He did the same today and that is what made it tough. I understand how much everyone wanted to

British winner at Wimbledon and I hope everyone enjoyed it."

Djokovic was gracious in defeat.

"Congratulations to Andy you absolutely deserved it, you played incredibly," the six-times grand slam champion said.

"I know what it means

to you guys in the whole country so well done. It is a great achievement. I gave it my all and it was an honour to be in this match, in this final." —Reuters

Andy Murray of Britain competes during the men's singles final with Novak Djokovic of Serbia on day 13 of the Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships at the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club in London, Britain on 7 July, 2013. —XINHUA

McDowell wins French Open by four shots

SAINT-QUENTIN-EN-YVELINES, 8 July—France - World number nine Graeme McDowell held off the challenge of South Africa's Richard Sterne to win the French Open by four shots at the tough Le Golf National on Sunday.

The pair were joint leaders at five-under following the third round, with several other contenders within striking distance at the 2018 Ryder Cup venue.

Yet Northern Ireland's McDowell, the 2010 US Open champion, and Sterne both birdied two of their first six holes to ensure they were in prime position to keep their rivals at a distance.

McDowell bogeyed the par-four seventh, only his fourth of the week, but picked himself up to birdie the ninth and 10th as Sterne began to falter.

The South African fell



Graeme McDowell of Northern Ireland holds his winners trophy during the winning ceremony of the French Open Golf tournament at Paris National course in Guyancourt, west of Paris on 7 July, 2013.

REUTERS

away after the turn, bogeying the 12th, 16th and 17th.

McDowell hit a superb birdie on the 17th to add a final flourish and add to his

wins at the RBC Heritage in South Carolina and the Volvo World Match Play Championship in Bulgaria.

Reuters

US international Altidore set for Sunderland move

LONDON, 8 July—United States international Jozy Altidore is set to join Sunderland from AZ Alkmaar after the two clubs reached agreement over a transfer, the Dutch side said on their website (www.az.nl) on Saturday.

The 23-year-old, who scored 38 goals in two sea-

sons for AZ, must still agree personal terms and pass a medical. No details of the transfer fee for the striker would be given, AZ added.

The move marks a return to the English Premier League for the burly forward, who managed just a single goal in a season-long loan spell at Hull City in the

2009/10 season.

Altidore moved from New York Red Bulls to Villarreal in 2008 and had loan spells at Xerez, Hull and Turkish club Bursaspor before signing a four-year deal with AZ in 2011.

He has 13 goals and 55 caps for the United States.

Reuters



Jozy Altidore of the US celebrates his goal against Jamaica in their 2014 World Cup qualifying soccer match in Kingston on 7 June, 2013.—REUTERS

GENERAL

Swede Blixt wins Greenbrier title by two shots



Jonas Blixt of Sweden

NEW YORK, 8 July—Swede Jonas Blixt took advantage of a last-day collapse by overnight leader Johnson Wagner to win his second PGA Tour title by two shots at the Greenbrier Classic in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia on Sunday.

Four strokes off the pace heading into a weather-interrupted final round that ended in fading light, Blixt fired a three-under-par 67 in rain-softened conditions on The Greenbrier's Old White Course.

The 29-year-old Swede held his nerve over a pressure-packed closing stretch, mixing four birdies with two bogeys over the last 10 holes to post a 13-under total of 267.

American Wagner, two ahead overnight in his bid for a fourth PGA Tour victory, dropped three shots after the turn as he struggled for accuracy off the tee on the way to a 73 and a four-way tie for second place.

Also finishing at 11-under were Wagner's compatriot and playing partner Jimmy Walker (71), and Australians Steven Bowditch (68) and Matt Jones (68).

Blixt, who had missed eight cuts in 16 starts on the 2013 PGA Tour before this week with a best finish of joint 11th at the Crowne Plaza Invitational in May, choked back the tears as he reflected on his come-from-behind win.

"This year has been kind of a bad year for me so

to pull it off, I can't believe it," the emotional Swede, who earned an automatic place at next year's Masters with his triumph, told Golf Channel.

"I am really happy. Just to be able to play Augusta (National) ... so many dreams come true."

"It's just one week and the whole year kind of turns around," added Blixt, who clinched his maiden PGA Tour title by one shot at last year's Frys.com Open.

The final round was interrupted by a weather delay of just over three hours as thunder rumbled and lightning cracked overhead and a Monday finish appeared to be on the cards when the action finally resumed in the late afternoon.

Wagner eventually teed off in the last pairing shortly after 5:00 pm ET (2100 GMT) under leaden skies and light drizzle and he three-putted for bogey at the par-four second for his overnight lead to be cut to one at 13 under.

However, Walker followed suit when he three-putted from well below the hole at the par-three third to hand Wagner a two-stroke advantage.—Reuters

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL

(9-7-13 09:30 am ~ 10-7-13 09:30 am) MST

- * Local News
- * Sai Htee Hseng or an exceptional music star from Shan Plateaus (Episode-2)
- * World News
- * Myanmar Masterclass: Portraiture
- * Local News
- * A Tea Business: Pankwan
- * World News
- * Taste Of Myanmar (Kho Taung Noodle Soup)
- * Local News
- * Glorious Meiktila Festival
- * World News
- * Myanma Agarwood
- * Local News
- * Back To A Paradise (Episode-2)
- * World News
- * Myanmar Wedding Dresses
- * Local News
- * Sai Htee Hseng or an exceptional music star from Shan Plateaus (Episode-1)
- * World News
- * Korea & Myanmar Cultural Exchange
- * Local News
- * A Diary of a Fisherman
- * World News
- * Wonderful Myanmar Handicrafts from Inlay Lake
- * Local News
- * Festive Mood & Festival Food
- * World News
- * Large Parasol: A Souvenir of Patheingyi
- * Local News
- * Back To A Paradise (Ep-1)
- * World News
- * Fortune Teller: "Yan Moe Aung"

MYANMAR TV

(9-7-2013, Tuesday)

- | | | |
|-----------------|--|--|
| 6:00 am | 1. Paritta By Venerable Mingun Sayadaw | 16. Musical Programme |
| 6:20 am | 2. To Be Healthy Exercise | 3:00 pm |
| 6:35 am | 3. Dance & Song of National Races | 17. News |
| 6:40 am | 4. Pyi Thu Ni Ti | 4:00 pm |
| 7:00 am | 5. News/ Weather Report | 18. News/ Weather Report |
| 7:20 am | 6. People Talks | 4:15 pm |
| 8:00 am | 7. News/ International News | 19. India Drama Series |
| 8:25 am | 8. Road to SEA Games (Basketball) | 4:35 pm |
| 9:00 am | 9. News/ International News | 20. University Of Distance Education (TV Lectures) |
| 9:25 am | 10. Mono Classical Songs | -First Year (Botany) |
| 10:00 am | 11. News | 4:50 pm |
| 10:15 am | 12. TV Drama Series | 21. Teleplay (Health) |
| 11:15 am | 13. Cartoon Series | 5:00 pm |
| 12:00 am | 14. News/ International News/ Weather Report | 22. News |
| 12:25 pm | 15. Myanmar Video | 5:20 pm |
| 2:20 pm | | 23. SEA Games Go for Gold (Judo) |
| | | 5:40 pm |
| | | 24. Documentary |
| | | 6:00 pm |
| | | 25. News/ Weather Report |
| | | 6:20 pm |
| | | 26. TV Drama Series |
| | | 7:00 pm |
| | | 27. News |
| | | 7:25 pm |
| | | 28. TV Drama Series |
| | | 8:00 pm |
| | | 29. News/ International News/ Weather Report |
| | | 8:35 pm |
| | | 30. Pyi thu Ni Ti |
| | | 9:00 pm |
| | | 31. News |
| | | 32. Barkery World |
| | | 33. India Drama Series |

Air Mauritius launches direct flight to Beijing

BEIJING, 8 July — Air Mauritius launched a direct flight route to Beijing on Sunday, aiming to further promote business and travel ties between China and Mauritius. Andre Viljoen, CEO of Air Mauritius, said the direct flight will open a new channel for promoting bilateral ties and help Mauritius better share in



the economic opportunities provided by China's rapid development.

Operated by an Airbus 340, the weekly flight, Flight MK686, will depart from Mauritius at 1:40 pm

(local time) every Saturday and arrive in Beijing at 5:45 am (Beijing Time) on Sunday.

The return flight, Flight MK687, will depart from Beijing at 12:45 am (Beijing Time) on Monday and arrive in Mauritius at 08:45 am (local time) the same day.

It is the company's

third non-stop flight route to China after the Mauritius-Shanghai and Mauritius-Hong Kong routes, according to Air Mauritius. Air Mauritius launched the first flight to Shanghai in 2011 and the number of Chinese travellers to Mauritius reached over 20,000 in 2012, said the company.

Xinhua

Runaway train devastates small town in Quebec

LAC-MEGANTIC, (Quebec), 8 July —The only warning Lac-Megantic residents had of the coming disaster was the louder-than-usual rumble of a train — a runaway locomotive laden with crude oil that would jump the tracks, explode and burn down the centre of town.

"I heard a rattle, louder than usual, so I went out on the balcony and I saw the train going at extremely high speed," said Ghislain Bisson, 52, who was watching late-night television as the train approached. "Then, I saw it. It just left

the track and headed right for the building." "The explosion occurred. I woke up my girlfriend and said, 'we have to leave, we're going to die here.'"

Much is still unknown about the cause of the disaster that struck this small Quebec town, perched on the edge of a blue lake ringed by forests of pine and birch and close to the border with the US state of Maine. The company that owns the train said the brakes somehow became disengaged as it was parked at a siding on a hill. There was no driver aboard when



A family watches the scene of an explosion by the track that leads to derailed trains in Lac Megantic, Quebec, on 7 July, 2013.—REUTERS

the train barreled into Lac-Megantic shortly after 1

am (0500 GMT) on Saturday.—Reuters

Earthquake strikes El Salvador, no damage reported

SAN SALVADOR, 8 July —A strong earthquake struck the Pacific coast of El Salvador on Sunday evening, shaking buildings in San Salvador, and sending residents running out into the street.

There were no immediate reports of damage from the 5.9 magnitude quake, which according

to the US Geological Survey was centered 24 miles south-southeast of the capital, just off shore and 60 miles below ground.

"We do not have reports of damage anywhere in the country," Jorge Melendez, head of the Central American nation's emergency services, told local radio.—Reuters

Moderate quake hits off Indonesia's Java

JAKARTA, 8 July —A 5.9-magnitude earthquake jolted off Indonesia's most densely-populated island of Java on Monday morning, the Indonesian Meteorological, Climatological and Geophysical Agency (BMKG) reported, but there have been no immediate reports of casualties or damage. The quake struck at 9:13 am Jakarta Time (0213 GMT) on Monday. The epicentre was 112 km southeast

of Malang Regency, East Java with a depth of 10 km under the sea. BMKG said there was no potential for tsunami. The United States Geological Survey (USGS) put the magnitude at 5.8 with a depth of 77.3 km.

Indonesia sits on the so-called Pacific "Ring of Fire" where several tectonic plates meet, making it vulnerable to frequent earthquakes.

Xinhua

Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham inspects rehabilitation tasks in Myebon, Pauktaw Townships



Union Minister U Aye Myint presents gifts donated by Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham to a victim.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 8 July—Chairman of Central Committee for Implementation of Peace and Stability and Development in Rakhine State, Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham accompanied

by Union Ministers Lt-Gen Ko Ko and U Aye Myint, State Chief Minister U Hla Maung Tin, the Western Command commander, the deputy ministers, diplomats and departmental officials left Sittway by Tatmadaw

Helicopter and arrived in Myebon Township this morning. Then, the Vice-President and party inspected eight-room quarters for 44 households and clinics in Kantha Htwetwa relief camp in

Myebon and greeted family members and staff.

Next, Union Ministers Lt-Gen Ko Ko and U Aye Myint provided them with rice and instant noodle packets.

Afterwards, the Vice-

President and party visited Taungpaw relief camp housing 3844 people of 715 households and met the in-charge of the camp. The Vice-President coordinated matters related to health, education and socioeconomic conditions.

After inspecting the clinic, temporary primary school and water tanks in the camp, the Vice-President met the victims and the Union ministers presented relief items to them. Similarly, the diplomatic corps led by the Indonesian ambassador to Myanmar visited the relief camps where they met the victims and asked what they wanted to know.

In the afternoon, the Vice-President and party proceeded to Kyainnipyin relief camp in Pauktaw Township and met with the victims. The Vice-President asked health, education, socioeconomic and necessities of the region and attended to the need.

Kyainnipyin relief camp accommodates the victims who do not accept to take shelter at the temporary housing built

by the government.

The Indonesian ambassador, the Bangladeshi ambassador and the UNHCR in-charge asked health, education and other necessities and clarified ongoing assistance programmes.

The Vice-President then arrived at Setyonsu relief camp accommodating 1172 people of 220 households Danyawady (Ka) Ward in Sittway and inspected the clinic, traditional medicine clinic and ten-room quarters. The Vice-President met family members of the camp and fulfilled the requirements.

The Indonesia ambassador to Myanmar also met the national races family members and raised questions and gave encouragements to them.

Union Ministers Lt-Gen Ko Ko and U Aye Myint presented gifts to officials concerned.

In the evening, Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham and party arrived back in Nay Pyi Taw by special flight of Myanma Airways via Sittway.

MNA

Pyidaungsu Hluttaw urged to push settling land grabbing issues

NAY PYI TAW, 8 July—Pyidaungsu Hluttaw continued its meeting today here and U Tin Htut of Zalun Constituency submitted a **proposal to urgently undertake the investigation commission's reports on land grabbing presented to Pyidaungsu Hluttaw.**

In his proposal, he stressed the need for transparency in settling the land grabbing issues, calling on Union ministries concerned with the land grabbing and state and region governments for solving the problems in accord with existing rules and regulations while sitting

on a table with farmers.

He also urged the farmers not to be swayed by the instigations of irresponsible personnel and groups and to have tolerance for the measures being taken by ministries concerned and organizations to be able to settle the issues within the framework of the law.

The commission have negotiated between the companies and farmers, and so far K 5050.2 million have been compensated to farmers by the companies in Yangon Region and the remaining issues will be settled through negotiation, he added.

So far, 42273.66 acres

Hluttaw Complex welcomes visitors

NAY PYI TAW, 8 July—A 92-member group of Taungdwingyi Township National League for Democracy and a 9-member group of advocates and HGP led by Advocate U

Maung Maung Soe visited Hluttaw Complex where the second day of the seventh regular session of the first Pyidaungsu Hluttaw was being held today.

MNA

Seventh regular session of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw in progress.

MNA



in Yangon and Ayeyawady regions have been handed over to regional governments. In seven townships in Nay Pyi Taw Council Area, K 1385.103 million as compensation for land and crops and K 4586.175 million as cost for building bridges and housings have been spent under the State budget so

far, he said.

He also reported Pyiduangs Hluttaw on need for resolving the complaints lodged by farmers in regions and states as the region and state governments and union ministries concerned did not take sufficient actions against the land grabbing issues.

During today meeting, Pyidaungsu Hluttaw put the President message on communication operation license on record.

Pyiduangs Hluttaw agreed to join Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing The Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property 1970 and

Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency-MIGA Convention.

Regarding the bills sent from the President with his remarks to Pyidaungsu Hluttaw, findings and remarks of the joint bill committee were clarified during today meeting.

MNA