

Four political objectives

- * Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
- * National reconsolidation
- * Emergence of a new enduring State Constitution
- * Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the new State Constitution

Four economic objectives

- * Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
- * Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- * Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country and abroad
- * The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

Four social objectives

- * Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
- * Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
- * Uplift of dynamism of patriotic spirit
- * Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation

Senior General Than Shwe accepts credentials of the Ambassador of the Republic of the Philippines



Senior General Than Shwe receives Ambassador of the Republic of Philippines Mr Noel Claudio Cabrera in Nay Pyi Taw. — MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 11 May — Mr Noel Claudio Cabrera, newly accredited Ambassador of the Republic of the Philippines to the Union of Myanmar, presented his credentials to Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace

and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, at Bayintnaung Yeiktha, here, at 10 am today.

Also present on the occasion were Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council

Lt-Gen Thein Sein, Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Maung Myint and Director-General U Kyaw Kyaw of the Protocol Department.

MNA

INSIDE

“Actually, it is no easy task to destroy a nation till it collapses. But foreign instigations to drive a wedge in a nation will become easy if there are insider alien-relying traitors who are longing for the aunt over the mother.”

Page 8+9

A Reader

True patriotism

- * It is very important for everyone of the nation regardless of the place he lives to have strong Union Spirit.
- * Only Union Spirit is the true patriotism all the nationalities will have to safeguard.

Emergence of the State Constitution is the duty of all citizens of Myanmar Naing-Ngan.

PERSPECTIVES

Saturday, 12 May, 2007

Towards rural development

The government is making all-out efforts for rural development. As a result, the nation sees a large number of model villages which highlight regional development. Those model villages are now enjoying full power supply as they have been facilitated with husk-fired generators, bio-gas used generators and hydro power generators.

Such village-to-village roads as the over two miles long Zibyukyun-Thazinyekyaw gravel road, the Bominyaung tarred road and the Ingyin tarred road in Nyaungdon and Pantanaw Townships, Ayeyawady Division were opened on 6 May. Likewise, the over 900 feet long gravel road in Satkwin Village, Kangyidaung Township and the Kwelwe tarred road in Myaungmya Township were also opened.

In the meantime, the opening of more station hospitals, rural health care centres, self-reliant libraries, affiliated high schools, village-to-village roads and bridges large and small is being carried out the length and breadth of the nation. With those facilities, local people have been able to travel one place to another, thereby contributing much to development of economic and health sectors of the region.

Now, local authorities and social organizations are striving for rural development together with the government. And local people and well-wishers are also participating in the tasks by doing their bit. We firmly believe that thanks to such relentless efforts and goodwill the living standard of people living in rural areas will surely improve.

နိုင်ငံတော်အစိုးရဌာနပိုင် မော်တော်ယာဉ်မသုံးစွဲရနေ

လစဉ် လ၏ဒုတိယပတ်(တနင်္ဂနွေနေ့)နှင့် နောက်ဆုံးပတ်(တနင်္ဂနွေနေ့)တို့သည် ရုံးလုပ်ငန်း အတွက် မဖြစ်မနေ သွားလာရန် လိုအပ်သည့် ကိစ္စရပ်များမှအပ မော်တော်ယာဉ်များမသုံးစွဲရနေ ဖြစ်သည်။

၂၀၀၇ ခုနှစ် မေလအတွက်
(၁၃-၅-၂၀၀၇) ရက်နေ့
နှင့်
(၂၇-၅-၂၀၀၇) ရက်နေ့

All this needs to be known

- * Do not be frightened whenever intimidated
- * Do not be bolstered whenever flattered
- * Do not be softened whenever appeased

People's Desire

- * Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views
- * Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation
- * Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State
- * Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy

Information Minister receives Chinese guests



Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan receives Director of China Radio International (CRI) Mr Luo Hong Bing and party. — MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 11 May — Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan received a Chinese delegation led by Mr Luo Hong Bing, Director of China Radio International (CRI), who are paying a visit to take a television documentary about China + ASEAN Cooperation Programme, at the ministry, here, this afternoon.

Present also at the call were directors-general, managing directors and officials of the departments and enterprises under the ministry. — MNA

Korean, Myanmar businessmen meet

YANGON, 11 May — Korean and Myanmar businessmen held talks at Traders Hotel here today and discussed matters on economic cooperation between the two countries.

At the meeting, the two sides discussed trading of spare parts for ships and cars, engines, equipment for hospitals, construction materials and spare parts for escalators, elevators and heavy machinery produced by 11 companies in the Republic of Korea.

Commercial Attaché of Embassy of ROK Mr Oh Jae Ho and staff of the embassy and officials of the Ministry of Industry-1 also participated in the meeting.

The meeting was arranged by the embassy of ROK. — MNA

Myanmar-India volleyball friendlies from 12 to 18 May

YANGON, 11 May — The 13-member India University Champion

Volleyball Men's Team led by Mr RK Durai Singh arrived here by air this morning to play friendly volleyball matches in Myanmar.

They were welcomed at Yangon International Airport by Vice-President of Myanmar Volleyball Federation U Thein Win, General Secretary U Nyi Nyi Lwin and executives.

Five Myanmar-India friendly volleyball matches will take place at National Indoor Stadium-1 in Thuwunna at 3 pm daily on 12, 14, 15, 17 and 18 May. Admission is free. — MNA



India University Champion Volleyball Team poses for documentary photo.MVF

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Slovak PM says US missile shield “grave mistake”

VIENNA, 10 May—The United States made a ‘grave mistake’ by not consulting widely enough on its plan to deploy a missile shield in Central Europe, Slovak Prime Minister Robert Fico was quoted on Wednesday as saying.

“This decision will create much nervousness,” Fico said in an interview with Austrian newspaper *Die Presse* when asked why he had called the missile shield a danger.

“We need stability, not nervousness. It was a grave mistake that the United States didn’t discuss this issue properly, neither with the European Union nor in NATO, nor with Russia,” Fico added, according to the interview.

Washington has angered Russia and unsettled some European allies with a plan to deploy 10 missile interceptors in Poland and radar in the Czech Republic from 2012 to help

shield Europe from possible missile attacks.

Russia has not been convinced by US arguments the shield was directed against attacks from “rogue states” such as Iran. It sees the system as a threat to its own nuclear deterrent and has so far rebuffed US invitations to cooperate.

“The missile shield so far is a bilateral issue between the United

States and Poland, and the Czech Republic. That’s why I don’t approve,” Fico said. Slovakia shares borders with both Poland and the Czech Republic.

The published comments were Fico’s strongest remarks on the missile shield, as he had until now only said he would not let Slovakia be a part of the US plan.

MNA/Reuters

Pentagon warns bird flu could kill 3m Americans

WASHINGTON, 11 May —The United States military has started to plan for a possible bird flu pandemic that could kill as many as 3 million Americans.

The Pentagon’s plan for dealing with a massive outbreak of avian flu has been posted on its website.

It says a pandemic in the US could result in 20-35 per cent of the population becoming ill, 3 per cent being hospitalised and 1 per cent, that is 3 million people, dying.

The Pentagon says the bird flu outbreak would overwhelm civilian and military health facilities and cripple the ability of authorities to provide even basic commodities or services.

Possible scenarios include US troops being called in to put down riots, guard pharmaceutical plants and shipments, and help restrict the movement of people.

Internet

Four Iraq journalists shot dead near Iraq’s Kirkuk

KIRKUK (Iraq), 10 May—Four Iraqi journalists were killed when gunmen opened fire on their car near the northern city of Kirkuk on Wednesday, police said.

They said one of the journalists was the well-known director of a local media organization which publishes several newspapers.

The attack took place

southwest of Kirkuk near the small town of Rashad. It was unclear if the shooting was random or because the four were journalists.

Iraq is the most dangerous country in the world for reporters. The Vienna-based International Press Institute said in April that 46 journalists were killed last year in the country, of whom 44 were Iraqis.

On Sunday, a Russian freelance photographer was killed in a roadside bomb attack north of Baghdad while on patrol with US forces. Six soldiers were also killed in that attack.

MNA/Reuters

US says helicopter killed five bystanders in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 10 May —A US attack helicopter killed five bystanders including two children when it fired on insurgents north of Baghdad, the US military said on Wednesday.

Lieutenant-Colonel Mike Donnelly, a spokesman for US forces stationed north of the Iraqi capital, denied some media reports that the helicopter had fired on a school on Tuesday. “It’s traumatic and entirely unfortunate that this happened,” Donnelly said by telephone, adding an investigation had been opened into how the civilians could have been killed.

He said guerrillas had been seen placing roadside bombs and operating an illegal checkpoint near the

town of Mandali in Diyala Province, prompting the US military to call for air support. The helicopter attack killed two of the insurgents, but interviews

with residents later showed that the five civilians had also been killed, Donnelly said. He had no information on the age of the children. —MNA/Reuters



Russian Singer Anna Netrebko attends the Golden Pen Award in the northern German city of Hamburg on 10 May, 2007. — INTERNET



Jiang Bing, known as the local “king of roasts”, roasts 128 whole lambs at one time by himself in Rongan county, southwest China’s Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, on 6 May, 2007. — XINHUA



A common squirrel monkey sits on a capibara at a zoo in Kasukabe, north of Tokyo, on 8 May, 2007. The zoo has raised 30 monkeys and four capibaras in the enclosure since 2000. — XINHUA

Peruvians sue oil giant over Amazon pollution

LOS ANGELES, 11 May —Members of an indigenous tribe from the Peruvian Amazon sued the oil giant Occidental Petroleum yesterday in California’s superior court, alleging that the company knowingly put the health of the Achuar people at risk and damaged their habitat. The claim alleges that over the course of three decades Oxy, as it is known, engaged in

“irresponsible, reckless, immortal and illegal practices” in an “unchecked effort to profit from Amazonian oil”. It adds: “These practices were below accepted industry standards, prohibited by law, and Oxy knew they would result in the severe contamination of water and land.” Marco Simons, a lawyer for EarthRights International, which is representing the Achuar, said:

“If you think about the harm that was done here, the widespread lead poisoning of hundreds of children and the exposure of hundreds of adults and children to contamination, you’re certainly looking at substantial damages. But more important than that, the Achuar want injunctive relief to clean up the mess.” While the Achuar live below Peru’s \$64 (£32) per month national poverty line, Occidental is one of

the world's biggest oil companies. Its revenue for 2004 was \$11.37bn, while its chief executive, Ray Irani, was the second highest paid CEO in the US last year, receiving £160m. The claim comes after members of the tribe attended Occidental's AGM last week to force the company to address their grievances. Andrés Sandi Mucushua, a tribal representative, said: “My people are sick and dying because of Oxy. The water in our streams is not fit to drink and we can no longer eat the fish in our rivers or the animals in our forests.” Occidental started drilling for oil in 1971. A report released last week claimed that Occidental dumped “an average of 850,000 barrels per day of toxic oil by-products ... directly into rivers and streams used by the Achuar for drinking, bathing, washing and fishing, totalling approximately 9bn barrels over 30 years”. —Internet



Female members of Yemen’s counter-terrorism force stand at attention at their barracks in Sanaa on 9 May, 2007. Women entered the force for the first time last year and have helped capture fugitives who tried to disguise themselves as women. — XINHUA

More than 1.4 million computers affected by virus

TIANJIN, 10 May — A leading Chinese anti-virus company said on Thursday that more than 1.4 million computers nationwide were affected by viruses during the week-long Labor Day holiday.

According to statistics

from Kingsoft, 1,421,198 computers were affected during the holiday, about a third more than during the same period last year. “Most of the computers were affected by Trojan viruses because more Internet users play online

games or shop online during the holidays,” said Dai Guangjian, an anti-virus specialist with the company. The Trojan viruses steal passwords of users’ online gaming or banking services, said Dai. — Internet



A police dog carefully lifts up a cat when ordered to, in a display of skill, during a show at the Russian OMON riot special police training base outside Moscow, on 10 May, 2007. — INTERNET

စက်မှုစွမ်းအား ခေတ်ကျော်လွှား



A Chopard employee places the Palme d'Or trophy for the Cannes Film Festival in a case at the company's headquarters in Geneva on 9 May, 2007. — INTERNET

US coalition soldier killed in Afghanistan

KABUL, 10 May—A soldier serving with US-led coalition troops in Afghanistan has been killed in fighting in the south of the country, the coalition forces said on Wednesday. The soldier was on a combat patrol involving both coalition troops and the Afghan Army when they made contact with enemy fighters in Helmand Province on Tuesday night, the coalition forces said in a statement. —MNA/Reuters

Terror plot discovered in Germany

WASHINGTON, 11 May — US authorities say they have discovered a terrorist plot in the advance stages of planning against US citizens or interests in Germany. The plot — which has been planned for some time — included the use of bombs and small arms, a senior federal official told CNN Friday. Asked who might be responsible, the official said an al Qaeda affiliate franchise in Europe. — Internet



Children react as an Airbus A380 aircraft prepares to land at Mumbai Airport on 8 May, 2007. European plane-maker Airbus hopes to win 20 orders for its A380 this year and is in talks with new airlines in India to sell the plane, the world’s largest passenger aircraft, a senior executive said on Monday. — XINHUA

ECONOMIC NEWS

Indian Govt approves Maruti sale, to get Rs 23.68 bn

NEW DELHI, 10 May—The Indian government on Thursday approved the sale of its remaining 10.27 per cent stake in Maruti Udyog Ltd to banks and insurance companies at Rs 796 per share, an official said.

The sale would bring the government Rs 23.68 billion, a senior Finance

Ministry official, P V Bhide, said after a meeting of a Group of Ministers headed by FMP Chidambaram.

On Wednesday, India received 36 bids from banks, insurance companies and mutual funds ranging between Rs 765 and Rs 850 a share for the country's largest car

maker, as against a floor price of Rs 760 set by the government. Maruti was an equal joint venture between the government and Japan's Suzuki Motor Corp when the previous Indian administration began selling its holding as part of efforts to exit non-core sectors of the economy. —Internet



All the 116 artifacts unearthed from the Tomb of the Qinshihuang Emperor currently on display in Taichung was moved to Taipei (China) on 8 May, for another Terracotta Warrior exhibition.
INTERNET

Pakistan may export one mln tons wheat to India

ISLAMABAD, 10 May—Pakistan's wheat export to India could touch one million tons with Islamabad already allowing the export up to 500,000 tons and a bumper crop expected this year, a news report has said.

"The government has already allowed the private sector to export up to 500,000 tons of wheat that India could import by sea or by rail," Secretary

Food and Agriculture Muhammad Ismail Qureshi was quoted as saying by the *Dawn* daily.

He said the total wheat export could reach up to a million tons this year.

The official said India had floated tenders for import of a million tons of wheat and Pakistan's private sector would be in a better position to compete with international wheat prices due to its lower transportation costs. Also, there is no tax or duties on export of wheat, he added.

Besides, transportation costs, India would also save on time by importing wheat from Pakistan via Lahore and Karachi to Delhi and Mumbai through the rail and sea routes.

Agricultural Development Commissioner Qadir Bakhsh Baloch told the daily that this was the first time that Pakistan had allowed wheat export to India.

Last week, Prime

Malaysia, local Press reported Wednesday.

The production sharing contract for Block SB 312 oilfield, some 80 kilometres off the coast of Kota Kinabalu, was awarded to Petronas Carigali Sdn Bhd, which

is a Petronas unit, and Kuwait Foreign Petroleum Exploration Corporation (Kufpec).

The two firms will jointly develop the oilfield estimated 2,900 square kilometres, a deal worth about 45 million US dollars, Petronas said in a statement released Tuesday here.

"The minimum financial commitment for the block is 45 million US dollars," the state-owned company was quoted as saying by the *New Straits Times*.

Kufpec is a subsidiary of Kuwait Petroleum Corp, whose oil and gas assets in Malaysia include two other oilfields in Sabah waters, said the report.

MNA/Xinhua

Vietnam handicraft export rises in first four months

HANOI, 10 May — Vietnam earned 73 million US dollars from exporting handicraft items made from bamboo, rattan, sedge, leaves or lacquer in the first four months of this year, a year-on-year rise of 19.4 per cent, according to a local trade agency on Wednesday.

Vietnam's handicraft exports to the European Union are estimated at 191.9 million dollars in

2007, up from 182.1 million dollars in 2006 and 178.3 million dollars in 2005, the Trade Information Centre under the Trade Ministry said, noting that the country's biggest handicraft importers include Germany, the United States, Japan, Britain, Belgium, Taiwan, France and Spain.

To ensure stable supply of materials for handicraft production and to meet big

orders, some 1,120 handicraft exporters in Vietnam are seeking ways to establish material zones, alliances and an industry association.

The country, home to over 2,000 craft villages with more than 1.3 million people engaging in handicraft production, reaped handicraft export earnings of 195 million dollars in 2006, said the centre. — MNA/Xinhua

Last week, Prime



Fighter jets fly in formation over the Red Square during a World War Two victory parade in Moscow on 9 May, 2007. Russia celebrated on Wednesday the 62nd anniversary of the World War Two victory over Nazi Germany. — XINHUA

Petronas inks oilfield contract with Kuwait firm

KUALA LUMPUR, 10 May — Malaysian national oil company Petronas has signed a contract with two firms, including one from Kuwait, to jointly develop an oilfield in waters off the coast of eastern

Malaysia, local Press reported Wednesday.

The production sharing contract for Block SB 312 oilfield, some 80 kilometres off the coast of Kota Kinabalu, was awarded to Petronas Carigali Sdn Bhd, which

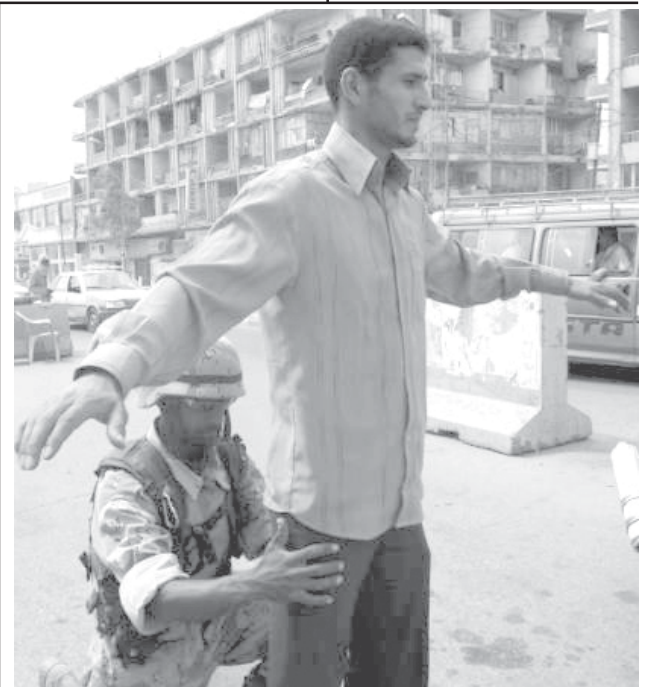
is a Petronas unit, and Kuwait Foreign Petroleum Exploration Corporation (Kufpec).

The two firms will jointly develop the oilfield estimated 2,900 square kilometres, a deal worth about 45 million US dollars, Petronas said in a statement released Tuesday here.

"The minimum financial commitment for the block is 45 million US dollars," the state-owned company was quoted as saying by the *New Straits Times*.

Kufpec is a subsidiary of Kuwait Petroleum Corp, whose oil and gas assets in Malaysia include two other oilfields in Sabah waters, said the report.

MNA/Xinhua



An Iraqi soldier frisks a motorist at a checkpoint in Baghdad on 10 May, 2007. —INTERNET

Golden umbrella, pennant shaped vane, diamond orb hoisted atop Koehsutaik Hsutaungpyae Pagoda in Mondaing Model Village of Meiktila Township

NAY PYI TAW, 11 May — A ceremony to hoist Shwe Htidaw (golden umbrella), Hngetmyatnadaw (pennant shaped vane) and Seinbudaw (diamond orb) atop Koehsutaik Hsutaungpyae Pagoda and offer Shwekyar Thingan was held in conjunction with the consecration ceremony at the pagoda in Mondaing Model Village of Meiktila Township yesterday morning.

Also present on the occasion were State Ovadaçariya Agga Maha Saddhamma Jotikadhaja Bhaddanta Labhavata of Yayle Monastery in Meiktila and members of the Sangha, Daw Mya Mya San, wife of Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Maung Aye, Daw Khin Lay Thet, wife of Member of the State Peace and Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann, Dr Daw Tin Lin Myint, wife of Lt-Gen Ye Myint, Daw Marlar Tint, wife of Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than, and Daw Khin Hnin Wai,



Daw Mya Mya San, wife of Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and party receive the Nine Precepts from a Sayadaw.—MNA

wife of Lt-Gen Aung Htwe, Daw Htwe Htwe Nyunt, wife of Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Myat Hein, Daw Khin Thant Zin, wife of Maj-Gen Myint Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence, Daw Myat Ngwe, wife of Maj-Gen Ye Myint of the Ministry of Defence, Chairman of Mandalay Division PDC Commander of Central Command Maj-Gen Khin Zaw and wife Daw Khin Pyone Win, Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Aung Ko, senior military officers of Meiktila Station, departmental officials, members of the

Union Solidarity and Development Association and social organizations.

Sayadaw Bhaddanta Labhavata administered the Nine Precepts. Members of the Sangha recited Parittas.

Daw Mya Mya San offered Seinbudaw (diamond orb) dedicated to the pagoda to the Yayle Monastery Sayadaw.

Daw Khin Lay Thet also offered Shwekyar Thingan and alms to Shwebontha Sayadaw of Meiktila.

The wives of Lt-Gen Ye Myint, Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than, Lt-Gen Myat Hein, Maj-Gen

Myint Hlaing and Maj-Gen Ye Myint, the commander and wife, the deputy minister, senior military officers and officials donated provisions to members of the Sangha.

Next, Daw Mya Mya San presented 100 bags of rice and 100 portable containers of edible oil and 24 bags of onion for members of the Sangha to the Sayadaw. State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee member Shwebontha Sayadaw Agga Maha Pandita Bhaddanta Vijjodaya delivered a sermon, and Daw Mya Mya San and party shared merits gained.

Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aung Ko supplicated on the religious affairs.

The hoisting Seinbudaw and Hngetmyatnadaw atop the pagoda and offering Shwekyar Thingan followed at the platform of the pagoda. Daw Mya Mya San conveyed Seinbudaw, Daw Khin Lay Thet Hngetmyatnadaw and officials Shwekyar Thingan, Hsatthwaphu, Hinthia and Seinbudaws for encircled zedis round the pagoda.

Daw Mya Mya San and party sprinkled scented water on

Hngetmyatnadaw, Seinbudaw and Shwekyar Thingan before conveying them atop the pagoda.

Maj-Gen Ye Myint of the Ministry of Defence, the commander and officials hoisted Hngetmyatnadaw, Seinbudaw and Shwekyar Thingan atop the pagoda.

Next, the consecration ceremony followed. Daw Mya Mya San offered umbrellas, cylindrical pennants, flowers, lights and joss sticks to the pagoda. Afterwards, members of the Sangha led by Yayle Monastery Sayadaw consecrated the pagoda.

(See page 7)

Home Affairs Minister meets Thai Ambassador

NAY PYI TAW, 11 May — Minister for Home Affairs Maj-Gen Maung Oo met Ambassador Mr Bansarn Bunnag of the Kingdom of Thailand to the Union of Myanmar at the minister's office, here, this afternoon.

Present also were Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Phone Swe, Director-General U Myat Ko of General Administration Department, Director-General Brig-Gen Khin Yi of Myanmar Police Force, Director-General U Aung Saw Win of Bureau of Special Investigation and Head of Office U Nay Myo.

MNA

Education Minister receives Chinese delegation

NAY PYI TAW, 11 May — Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein received Director Mr Luo Hong Bing of China Radio International (CRI) and party of People's Republic of China at the meeting hall of the ministry, here, this morning.

The Chinese delegation are currently here to shoot the television documentary programme under the programme of China-ASEAN Cooperation.

At the meeting, the minister explained Myanmar's education ambitions to develop the human resources in Myanmar under the leadership of Myanmar Education Committee.

Present also at the call were Deputy Ministers U Myo Nyunt and Brig-Gen Aung Myo Min, the directors-general and officials of the departments under the ministry.

MNA

Hotels and Tourism Minister meets Chinese delegation

NAY PYI TAW, 11 May — Director Mr Luo Hong Bing of China Radio International (CRI) and party of the People's Republic of China called on Minister for Hotels and Tourism Maj-Gen Soe Naing at the meeting hall of the ministry, here, this morning.

The Chinese delegation are currently here to shoot the television documentary programme under the programme of China-ASEAN Cooperation.

Minister Maj-Gen Soe Naing gave accounts on significant culture, customs and religion of Myanmar, and hotels and tourism industry based on ecotourism in Myanmar.

It was also attended by Director-General U Htay Aung of Directorate of Hotels and Tourism and Managing Director U Soe Thein of Myanma Hotels and Tourism Services and officials.

MNA



Maj-Gen Ye Myint of the Ministry of Defence and Commander Maj-Gen Khin Zaw hoist Seinbudaw atop the Pagoda.—MNA

Golden umbrella, pennant shaped vane,...

(from page 6)

Daw Mya Mya San and party sprinkled scented water on the heavy bell and shared merits gained by blowing the bell.

Next, they took positions at the designated places to plant Maha Bo tree at the northwest corner of the precinct. Daw Mya

Mya San put jewellery and soil into the pit before planting the Bo tree. Maj-Gen Ye Myint and officials poured water at the Bo tree. Daw Mya Mya San and party sprinkled scented water on the Bo tree and went round it.

The master of ceremonies read the paper

on sharing of merits gained.

To mark the completion of the ceremony, Daw Mya Mya San and officials performed the rituals of golden and silver showers.

Later, Daw Mya Mya San and officials offered meal to members of the Sangha. — MNA

Media sector with developing technology to be supervised for serving national interest

Union of Myanmar National Digital Broadcasting Committee holds second coord meeting

NAY PYI TAW, 11 May — The Union of Myanmar National Digital Broadcasting Committee held its second coordination meeting at the hall of the Ministry of Information, here, this afternoon, with an address by Chairman of the Committee Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan.

Also present at the meeting were Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs Brig-Gen Thein Zaw, Deputy Attorney-General U Tun Tun Oo, the secretary and members of the Union of Myanmar National Digital Broadcasting Committee, departmental officials and guests.

First, Chairman of the Committee Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan delivered an address. He said that the committee was formed on 11 June 2005. After that, duties and functions of the committee were sub-

mitted to the Prime Minister, and these tasks are being undertaken in accord with the directives of the Prime Minister. The first coordination meeting of the committee was held

will discuss the changing of broadcasting system from analog to digital similar to that of other countries at the ASEAN Information Ministers' Meeting, the ASEAN

ments concerned with the recommendation of the Committee. For the second point, four working groups formed at the first coordination meeting of the committee

supervise developing media. In conclusion, the minister urged the responsible groups to carry out the adopted tasks based on the three major points.

Win Maw presented reports on delineation and study of new tasks for IP delivery services and one-demand services, Secretary of the Committee Director-



Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan delivers an address at 2nd coordination meeting of National Digital Broadcasting Committee. MNA

on 1 December 2006. As a key role in the committee, the Ministry of Information is constantly carrying out tasks of the committee.

The minister added that he would like to discuss two main tasks. As the first point, he noted that the ASEAN countries

Information Senior Officials Meeting and the ASEAN+3 Meeting to be held in Indonesia soon. Although there are three digital systems, they will hold discussions on giving priority to DVB-T system that is suitable for the ASEAN countries. Some ASEAN countries had formally announced and is performing TV broadcasting functions through DVB-T system. Despite launching the programmes of MRTV-4 through DVB-T system, our country does not yet issue the announcement on broadcasting system formally.

He continued to say that Myanmar will discuss the formal use of DVB-T system at the meetings, and permissions will be obtained from depart-

are discharging their duties. In today's meeting, all are to coordinate accomplishments and future tasks of the committee. The Union of Myanmar National Digital Broadcasting Committee is to perform three major tasks. These are: to review TV broadcasting task and its related industries of the country such as motion picture and video and strive for their improvement on a par with developing technologies of other countries, to supervise the media sector that will engage technological development for serving the national interest, and to issue appropriate rules, regulations, laws, orders and directives for the country and related departments to be able to

In his discussions, Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs Brig-Gen Thein Zaw said that he attended the first coordination meeting as his ministry is related to the tasks of the Committee. As technology is changing rapidly, it should consider the future programme for practising the broadcasting systems. The CPT Ministry will provide assistance for tasks of the Committee.

Next, Chairman of the Digital Broadcasting Technology Study and Broadcasting Law Drawing Committee Deputy Attorney-General U Tun Tun Oo reported on progress of its tasks.

Adviser to the Ministry of Information U

General of Myanmar Radio and Television U Khin Maung Htay on drawing of digital broadcasting infrastructure planning, prescribing of the media control and preparations for seeking technology and expertise, and Managing Director U Aung Myo Myint of Myanmar Motion Picture Enterprise on shooting, production and distribution of motion pictures and videos and tasks of the multimedia content creation and authoring.

Afterwards, departmental officials submitted reports on assistance to be provided by their respective departments. After attending to the needs, the minister gave concluding remarks.

MNA



Minister Brig-Gen Thein Zaw discusses matters on digital broadcasting system. — MNA

Beware of the characters of transformational diplomacy

A Reader

When I arrived at the tea shop, a gathering point of our friends, some of my pals were reading a news report featured in a journal.

A friend greeted me, saying, “Come reader friend! We are reading the news report on the address delivered by Russian President Putin on 26 April. You just come in at the right time.” And he gave me the journal. So, I read it.

In his address, Mr Putin accused foreigners of making attempts to destroy Russia that was regaining strength and to interfere in her internal affairs. The Russian President also said that the amount of cash that was flowing into Russia had become larger and larger, and that the intention was to directly interfere in the internal Affairs of Russia. He then said that there were perpetrators wishing to push Russia into instability like in the past with false pretences under the cloak of democracy, to loot Russia’s riches, and to control and restrict her political and economic developments.

Although President Putin did not mention any country by name, the Russian Foreign Ministry accused America of providing financial assistance to some organizations under the pretext of the flourishing of democracy in Russia, saying that the true intention of US was to cause a civil commotion in Russia as in two of her neighbours to enable US minions to grab power.

After I had read the news report, a friend made a comment, saying, “See even Russia is facing the perpetration of America and its allies like our country.”

“We too are facing instigations to cause strikes and commotions that may serve as a springboard for alien-relying traitors under the West control to grab power through short cut”, another agreed with him. Others then joined in the discussions as follows:

“It is not a strange news report for anyone who always keeps in touch with global and Myanmar affairs. It is common knowledge that the culprit of the disintegration of the Soviet Union during the Cold

War is no other country than the US.”

“Some see the collapse of the USSR as the result of US political attack under the pretext of democracy and human rights while others say that it was the Soviet economy that could not match the US’s in the Cold War arms race.”

“Actually, it is no easy task to destroy a nation till it collapses. But foreign instigations to drive in a wedge in a nation will become easy if there are insider alien-relying traitors who are longing for the aunt over the mother.”

“I still remember the then US President Ronald Regan boasted that the fall of the Soviet Union was the outcome of US Cold War strategy.”

“Oh, what’s the US Cold War strategy like?”

“Nothing new. The crucial point of the strategy was the Nobel Peace Prize. I hope you all remember the then General Secretary of the Soviet Communist Party Mikhail Gorbachev being awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.”

“You bet! Three Baltic states of the Soviet Union tried to secede from it due to US instigation. The majority of the people of the Soviet Union staged a demonstration against the three states’ secession attempts. Thus, Gorbachev intervened and tried to stop the attempts. The US pressed Gorbachev to permit the secession of the three states. First, Gorbachev never yielded to the US pressures. But after the Noble Peace Prize was awarded to him in 1990, Gorbachev acknowledged the secession of the three Baltic states. At the end of 1991, the Soviet Union broke up into 15 independent states.”

“So, the same method is being applied to break up our nation. Noble Peace Prize was awarded to the woman who would dance to the tune of the West in 1991.”

“Oh, I remember it! The persons who knew nothing and cared nothing thoughtlessly tried to launch a confrontation with the Tatmadaw government, with the Martyrs Day as a launch pad, in 1989. It was a plot of the underground elements

of Burma Communist Party (BCP UGs) to use the confrontation as a means to stir up a bloodletting unrest. However, people were free from unrest thanks to the Tatmadaw government that showed much restraint in controlling the situation.”

“The woman was placed under restriction order at her own house to save the nation and people from facing a new danger.”

“It’s absolutely unfair that the Nobel Peace Prize was presented to the person who made attempts to sacrifice the people not for the national prosperity but just for enabling herself and her party to grab power through short cut.”

“It’s only your view. The foreign powers on the other hand have presented a large number of awards (totalling nearly 90) to her, as the Nobel Peace Prize alone is not enough to cause unrest to destroy our country. They are going to present her more awards to keep her under their total and constant control.”

“It will be a new record for the Guinness Book of world records. In this world, there are many persons who have made efforts for peace, progress and prosperity of mankind. Even those great people have not received as many awards as the woman. Why?”

“Myanmar also has great people who have dedicated their whole lives to internal peace.”

“I agree with you. Thakin Kodaw Hmaing is famous for his initiatives for internal peace. But he did not receive the Nobel Peace Prize. The Soviet Union did acknowledge his peace endeavours and conferred Stalin Peace Award on him.”

“In reality, Nobel Peace Prize should be awarded to a person like writer-cum-poet Dagon Tayar, who took part in anti-colonialist and anti-Fascist struggles and had been constantly writing for and giving talks on peace from the time the nation was burning with internal strife.”

“Besides, there were and are many other people who excel the said woman much in the cause for democracy and human rights. But those people do not receive any awards, while the women have been awarded many prizes including the Nobel Peace Prize.”

“The answer is quite clear. Those persons have never applied the method of confrontation or utter devastation approved by foreign powers and neo-colonialists.”

“You bet! The woman received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1991. The government lifted the restriction order imposed on her in 1995 with the hope that she might adopt a softer line. Do you know what the woman said within 24 hours after the government lifted the restriction order?”

(See page 9)

“The persons who knew nothing and cared nothing thoughtlessly tried to launch a confrontation with the Tatmadaw government, with the Martyrs Day as a launch pad, in 1989. It was a plot of the underground elements of Burma Communist Party (BCP UGs) to use the confrontation as a means to stir up a bloodletting unrest. However, people were free from unrest thanks to the Tatmadaw government that showed much restraint in controlling the situation.”

Beware of the characters of transformational diplomacy

A Reader

(from page 8)

“I am afraid, I did not notice it. She is a nobel peace laureate, so what she should have said is peace talks and friendship talks, isn’t it?”

“Yes, but she has never done so. Putting reliance on her foreign masters, she threatened the government, asking which one it would choose—a dialogue or utter devastation, let alone peace negotiations.”

“Oh, what she has said is totally incompatible with what she has been awarded.”

“No way. The foreign masters who helped award her always incite mass protests and conduct courses on explosives so that the woman who will dance to their tune and her followers will come to power through short cut.”

“By the way, Russian President Putin said that there was an increasing amount of funds flowing into his country from abroad to be used to interfere in the internal affairs of the country. In the conversation we had recently, we discussed that certain countries were providing a large amount of money to internal and external destructive elements through various ways. Here I notice that these countries’ ways remain unchanged.”

“It is not surprising. Whenever it is militarily opportune, they spend a huge sum of funds to invade other countries. If it is not opportune to do so, they use a large amount of funds to interfere in the internal affairs of other countries. They spend the funds on organizing measures through diplomatic ways and keeping expatriates. They are used to doing so.”

“Of course. Recently an official of these foreign countries disclosed that they were spending a lot of funds on journalism courses, scholarship awards, so-called refugee camps and religious affairs in Myanmar.”

“In the past, CIA was solely responsible for such schemes. Today its acts are unacceptable to international community. So they use another term ‘transformational diplomacy’.”

“I have heard of it. Would you explain it more?”

“In the first term of President Bush, priority was given to military affairs. And in the second term, priority was given to diplomacy. US State Secretary Condoleezza Rice said that they would practise daring diplomacy that could change world political affairs to the conditions the US wanted to see.”

“Diplomacy is an activity to promote bilateral friendship, isn’t it? However they said they were going to practise daring diplomacy, so it seems to me they are committing unjust acts in the diplomacy.”

“Certainly, they are expanding their diplomacy in the third world or developing countries and resorting to various means to deal more with and train local axe-handles and control the country concerned by changing

the nation’s political trend into the trend the US likes.”

“You are right. They opens more and more centres, organizes photo shows, book shows and film shows. And they are conducting various courses under various names. They are offering incentives of scholarships and visas to the trainees and visiting opposing politicians very often.”

“That is not all. They are trying to organize similar courses in Mandalay. And they have frequented border areas to meddle in the internal affairs.”

“That means their diplomats are increasingly dealing with local people to dominate the nation’s internal affairs. They are also mobilizing the experiences and strength of INGOs and CIA to implement their government’s aim.”

“That is why there have been many demonstrations, and direct or indirect confrontations in our nation these days through the methods that have been taught in the courses.”

“I am getting tired of witnessing that they are presenting cash awards and titles to the ones who have faced punishments under the existing law for the acts they have committed, as guided by such diplomats.”

“So far they have helped the woman win nearly 90 different awards including a nobel peace prize to make her keep on dancing to their tune. And they have awarded six prizes to a member of the “88” generation students group to worsen the situation.”

“This year they awarded a prize to another member of the “88” generation students group to keep that person under their control.”

“I learnt that a person in the US who was sentenced to a seven years’ imprisonment due to his solo protest in front of the City Hall in Myanmar in 2001 and was released after his serving only 18 months expressed his impatience to return to Myanmar to stage a protest. He

was also awarded.”

“They also awarded a woman who had been against the desire of the whole villagers of Htanmanaing Village and complained to the ILO about voluntary services the villagers had contributed for development of the village.”

“That woman said that she was going to play a leading role representing the NLD in the movements for the release of the Nobel Peace Prize laureate. Township NLDs in Yangon Division are now throwing a hint that they will reinforce five members each to the movements.”

“Members of the “88” generation students group who have been awarded prizes and money for their serving the interest of certain countries were implementing Sunday white expression movement to exploit political situations by labelling some persons serving prison terms under the law as political prisoners to incite public outrage on the pretext of visiting these prisoners’ families to console them.”

“I would say, every country has the rights to safeguard their sovereign powers. In this regard, sovereign power means legislative, executive and judicial powers. What is the most important in practising sovereign power is to safeguard the lives and property of the people.”

“That is right. We have to raise public awareness so that the people will come to be aware of dangers of internal demonstrations, direct confrontation and indirect confrontation due to the US practice of transformational diplomacy, and consequences of possible unrest and terrorist acts and cooperate with the responsible persons to continue to oppose and crush them.”

Translation: TMT+MS

Myanma Alin, Kyemon: 11-5-2007

“Russian President Putin said that there was an increasing amount of funds flowing into his country from abroad to be used to interfere in the internal affairs of the country. In the conversation we had recently, we discussed that certain countries were providing a large amount of money to internal and external destructive elements through various ways. Here I notice that these countries’ ways remain unchanged.”

“It is not surprising. Whenever it is militarily opportune, they spend a huge sum of funds to invade other countries. If it is not opportune to do so, they use a large amount of funds to interfere in the internal affairs of other countries. They spend the funds on organizing measures through diplomatic ways and keeping expatriates. They are used to doing so.”

Senior General Than Shwe accepts credentials



Senior General Than Shwe accepts credentials of newly accredited Ambassador Mr Noel Claudio Cabrera of the Republic of Philippines to the Union of Myanmar (News on page 1).—MNA



Senior General Than Shwe accepts credentials of newly accredited Ambassador Mr Bansarn Bunnag of Thailand to the Union of Myanmar.—MNA



Senior General Than Shwe receives newly accredited Ambassador Mr Park Key-Chong of the Republic of Korea (News on page 16).—MNA

Newly accredited Thai Ambassador presents... (from page 16)

at 11 am today.
Also present on the occasion were Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thein Sein, Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Maung Myint and Director-General U Kyaw Kyaw of the Protocol Department.
MNA

Zawtika-3 to produce 26 m cubic feet of gas daily

YANGON, 11 May — Deputy Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Than Htay, together with Vice-President Mr Suppamas Prachakvej of PTTEPICo of Thailand and officials of the Ministry of Energy, inspected the Zawtika-3 Appraisal Well in Block M-9 offshore Mottama on 25 April. At the meeting hall of the drilling platform, the deputy minister heard reports on drilling of Zawtika-3 Appraisal Well and future tasks presented by Operation Manager Mr

Pasook Eagark, and sand layer and existing of natural gas in M-9 block by Reservoir Engineer Mr Jakrin.
Next, the deputy minister instructed them to strike gas at the centre and western parts of M-9 block in addition to the surrounding areas of the place where hydrocarbon has been found, and preparations to be made for producing natural gas on a commercial scale.
The Zawtika-3 appraisal well was drilled

to make assessment on development of the Plio-Pleistocene and Upper Miocene sand layers in Block M-9 and extent of natural gas. In conducting the test, Zawtika-3 well can produce 26 million cubic feet in maximum per day. Therefore, potential of existing natural gas deposit on a commercial scale can be confirmed. The Ministry of Energy is implementing the natural gas production projects to serve the interest of the State. — MNA



Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Than Htay opens valve and lights the fire.—ENERGY



A group of Russian OMON riot special police runs in smoke during a police show organized at the training base outside Moscow, on 10 May, 2007.

INTERNET

Australia's annual defence spending increase biggest in 30 years

CANBERRA, 10 May— The Australian Government on Tuesday night announced the federal budget for the next financial year with the defence budget reaching 22 billion Australian dollars (18.3 billion US dollars), a 10.6-per-cent increase over the previous year.

This represents the biggest annual increase in defence spending in more than 30 years.

Meanwhile, the defence spending will reach 2 per cent of GDP for the first time in more than a decade.

In the budget of financial year of 2007-2008 (July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008), 2.1 billion Australian dollars (1.74 billion US dollars) will be spent over 10 years to boost recruitment and retention, with the aim to grow the overall size of the defence force by 6,000 to 57,000 by 2016.

This includes a 30,000-strong Army and rebuilding the Navy's strength which is currently 1,000 below the targeted ceiling.

Four billion dollars (3.3 billion US dollars) will be used to improve defence logistics support for operations over 10 years. — MNA/Xinhua

Bolivia, Petrobras begin talks on nationalized refineries

LIMA, 10 May— President of energy company Petrobras, Jose Fernando de Freitas, and Bolivia's Hydrocarbons Minister, Carlos Villegas, on Wednesday met to discuss the purchase of two Bolivian refineries, according to news reaching here.

On Monday, Petrobras, which is owned by the Brazilian Government, gave Bolivia 48 hours to reach an agreement on the price of the plants, which had been formally nationalized on 1 May, 2006, but had remained under Petrobras control until last week.

Petrobras wants 215 million US dollars for the facilities, plus the price of the stored refinery products, while Bolivia is only willing to pay 70 million US dollars. The situation became critical on Sunday, when Bolivian legislators approved a decree transferring all Bolivian gasoline production to Yacimientos Petroliferos Fiscales Bolivianos (Ypfb). If no agreement is possible, Petrobras will go to international arbitration over the two plants in the Valle Hermoso in the central Bolivia department of Cochabamba, and Palmasola, in the eastern department of Santa Cruz. — MNA/Xinhua

UN suspends aid works in Pakistani quake area

ISLAMABAD, 10 May— The United Nations has suspended aid operations in a Pakistani district for security reasons after a house where two UN staff were living was burnt down, a UN official said on Wednesday.

The United Nations has been heavily involved in rehabilitation efforts in the mountains of northern Pakistan where a 7.6 magnitude earthquake killed 73,000 people in

October 2005.

No one was hurt when the house in the Bagh District of Pakistani Kashmir burnt down on Monday, apparently after being set on fire, said UN information officer Raabya Amjad.

Some people in the conservative Muslim rural communities have objected to the presence of women aid workers and the hiring of women by aid groups.

Others have been angered because they failed to get jobs or contracts, aid workers in the area say.

"We don't know who did it but there have been a number of disgruntled elements in the community," Amjad said.

Six UN agencies and their 83 staff have been withdrawn from the district for an initial two weeks, she said.

MNA/Reuters



Miss Universe contestants pose for a group photo when they tour Cancun, a coastal resort in Mexico, on 10 May, 2007.

XINHUA

Brazil police say US pilots responsible for last Sept's plane crash

RIO DE JANEIRO, 10 May— A report from Brazil's Federal Police said on Wednesday that US pilots Joseph Lepore and Jan Paul Paladino were responsible for the plane crash that killed 154 people in September 2006. Police investigations showed that the two were flying a Legacy jet at the same height as the Boeing 737 operated by local airline Gol.

The report stated that the pilots turned on the transponder—the device that allows the aircraft to be tracked by the air traffic control system and indicates its exact height—only three minutes after the collision.

The jet's transponder was analyzed and results revealed that it was working perfectly, according to the report.

Federal Police Chief Renato Sayao, in charge of the investigations, said the report would be forwarded to the Armed Forces' Public Prosecution Office, which would also investigate the eventual responsibility of the traffic controllers who worked on the shift when

the accident took place.

On 29 September, the private jet, which had just been acquired by a US air company, collided with the commercial plane, as both were flying at 37,000 feet. The Gol airplane fell into a forested region in the north of Mato Grosso state. — MNA/Xinhua

A man plays an XBOX 360 game at the 2006 Electronic Entertainment Expo in Los Angeles on 10 May, 2006 file photo. US movie theater chain National Amusements Inc is bringing a live video gaming tournament sponsored by Rupert Murdoch-controlled companies to a Los Angeles theater this weekend in a first for an industry seeking new ways to fill empty seats. — INTERNET



ADVERTISEMENT
INVITATION TO TENDER

(TENDER NO. 3(T)/MPE/ UREA (1)/ 2007-2008)

1. Sealed tenders are invited by the Myanma Petrochemical Enterprise, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar, for the Supply of Urea Fertilizer with the terms and condition as follows.

(a) Urea Fertilizer -75,000±10% Metric Tons
Specification Nitrogen 46.0 wt%min
Biuret 1.0 wt% max
Moisture 0.5 wt% max
Prill Size 1-4 mm
in US Dollars - CIF Yangon Basis.

(b) Price shall be quoted -L/C at sight

(c) Payment - 22-5-2007 (12:00) hr.

(d) Tender Closing Date - 22-5-2007 (13:00) hr.

(e) Tender Opening Date - Within June 2007.

(f) Delivery - 50 Kg. weight/bag net must be packed in strong durable. Woven polypropylene bags with inner liner polyethylene bags of 0.1-0.2 mm thickness.

(g) Packing

2. Tender Documents and detail information are available at the Department of Finance, Myanma Petrochemical Enterprise, Nay Pyi Taw, during office hours commencing (14-5-2007) on payment of the One Hundred (100) FEC per set.

3. Only bid from tenderer who has purchased tender document officially from Myanma Petrochemical Enterprise will be accepted for evaluation.

Managing Director,
Myanma Petrochemical Enterprise

TRADE MARK CAUTION
IPR PHARMACEUTICALS INC., a Company incorporated in Puerto Rico, of Sabana Gardens Industrial Park, P.O. Box 1967 Carolina, Puerto Rico, is the Owner of the following Trade Mark:-

VIBRENT
Reg. No. 2093/2004

in respect of "Int'l Class 5: Pharmaceutical preparations for the treatment of cardiovascular diseases for human use only".

Fraudulent imitation or unauthorised use of the said Trade Mark will be dealt with according to law.

Win Mu Tin
M.A., H.G.P., D.B.L.
for IPR PHARMACEUTICALS INC.
P. O. Box 60, Yangon
Dated: 12 May 2007

Seven in ten Chinese white collar workers overworked, stressed

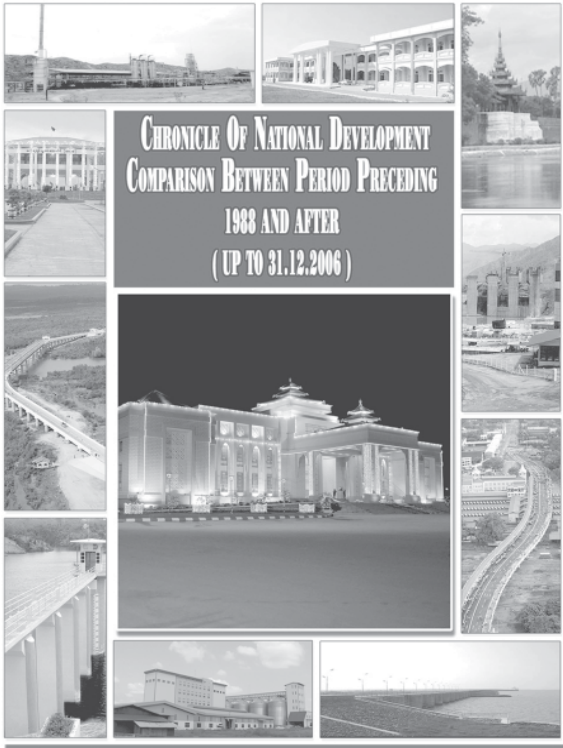
BEIJING, 10 May—Seventy per cent of China's urban white-collar workers put in more than ten hours a day on average and are denied holidays, according to a new survey reported in the *Beijing Morning Post*.

The academic heading the study has warned that once working overtime became customary, it could become a major public health issue and the cause of early deaths.

Xu Yan, a psychologist in charge of the survey, said when she started to study the subject of “job stress” three years ago, it was a relatively rare phenomenon. However, the number of professionals complaining of overwork and a lack of sleep had since soared in urban areas.

The study of professionals in major cities showed most white-collar workers are stressed at the thought of losing their jobs or being able to “survive” in the fierce employment market.

MNA/Xinhua



CHRONICLE OF NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
COMPARISON BETWEEN PERIOD PRECEDING 1988 AND AFTER (UP TO 31.12.2006)

- * This book features firm evidences, correct data and figures and documentary photos.
- * This book reflects the success in building the infrastructure according to the political, economic and social objectives for the brighter future of the State.
- * Illustrated with charts and colourful photos.
- * Published by the Ministry of Information.

Now On Sale USD 3.00

Available at

- Sarpay Beikman Book Shop, 529-531, Merchant Street, Yangon ☎ 01-381448, 249031
- Sarpay Beikman Book Shop, No-55, Thabyaygon Market, Nay Pyi Taw
- News and Periodicals Enterprise Book Shop, 212, Theinbyu Street, Yangon ☎ 294306
- Hotels, Supermarkets and Shopping Malls in Yangon.

Elderly Australians set-up euthanasia backyard labs

SYDNEY, 10 May—Hundreds of elderly Australians wanting to end their lives when they can no longer care for themselves are reportedly setting up backyard laboratories to manufacture an illegal euthanasia drug, local media reported.

The euthanasia group Exit Australia told Australian television that more than 100 people have imported the prohibited sedative Nembutal to Australia from Mexico, while 800 were interested in making the powerful sedative in home laboratories.

One group of about 20 people was already making the drug in a backyard laboratory in New South Wales state, reported Australian Broadcasting Corp (ABC) television.

The ABC's Lateline programme reported that four backyard laboratories were to be set-up soon in the cities of Sydney, Melbourne, Perth and Wollongong.

“It's not illegal to end your life. Why is it illegal to have the drug that will do it?,” Bron Norman, who says she is part of a group already making the drug, told Lateline on Monday.—MNA/Reuters

Pakistan, Czech Republic vow to enhance ties

ISLAMABAD, 10 May—Pakistan and the Czech Republic Wednesday signed four memorandums of understanding to promote cooperation in the fields of science, commerce, industry, health and foreign services academies.

The agreements were signed after talks between Pakistani Prime Minister Shaukat Aziz and his Czech counterpart Mirek Topolánek in Islamabad.

Speaking at a joint Press after talks, they said that Pakistan and the Czech Republic had resolved to expand their relations and give them new impetus.

Czech Prime Minister Mirek Topolánek said that his country is keen to enhance cooperation with Pakistan in political, trade and economic fields besides people-to-people contact.

Answering a question, the Czech Prime Minister said that despite small in size his country had concerns regarding global security and was playing an active role in the peacekeeping mission in Afghanistan.

He said that Afghan people along with peace should also be given hope for prosperity and progress. However, he said that reconstruction would not be possible without military presence in Afghanistan.

California joins 30 states in fighting greenhouse gas emissions

LOS ANGELES, 10 May—California on Tuesday joined other 30 US states in the nation's first cooperative effort to develop consistent protocols to track greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

The multi-state emissions registry, The Climate Registry, will allow Californian companies and organizations to join a national effort to measure, track and report GHG emissions.

“Today marks another important step toward a nationwide effort to fight global warming,” California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger told *Xinhua* in an e-mailed statement. “Developing a common standard for reporting and recording greenhouse gases is an essential component to a national climate action policy,” the governor said.—MNA/Xinhua

and economic fields besides people-to-people contact.

Answering a question, the Czech Prime Minister said that despite small in size his country had concerns regarding global security and was playing an active role in the peacekeeping mission in Afghanistan.

He said that Afghan people along with peace should also be given hope for prosperity and progress. However, he said that reconstruction would not be possible without military presence in Afghanistan.

Topolánek appreciated Pakistan's role in the area besides its patience in the current situation. Aziz said that both the countries had many things to share and Pakistan would like to strengthen its relations with the Czech Republic particularly in trade, investment and economy.—MNA/Xinhua

ပြန်ကြားရေးဝန်ကြီးဌာန
ပုံနှိပ်ရေးနှင့်စာအုပ်ထုတ်ဝေရေးလုပ်ငန်း အတွက် Duplex Board အဖုံးစက္ကူ (ပြည်တွင်း)
ဝယ်ယူရန်တင်ဒါခေါ်ယူခြင်း

၁။ ပြန်ကြားရေးဝန်ကြီးဌာန၊ ပုံနှိပ်ရေးနှင့် စာအုပ်ထုတ်ဝေရေး လုပ်ငန်း အတွက် အသုံးပြုရန်လိုအပ်သော အောက်ဖော်ပြပါ Duplex Board အဖုံးစက္ကူ (ပြည်တွင်း) ကိုယှဉ်တွဲပါ အရေးအတွက်များအတိုင်း ဝယ်ယူလိုပါသည်။

(1)	Duplex (32"x40") 180Gsm	၂၁၅၀၀ထုပ် (၁၀၀၀ပါထုပ်)
(2)	Duplex (32"x46") 180Gsm	၂၅၅၀၀ထုပ် (၁၀၀၀ပါထုပ်)

၂။ တင်ဒါပေးသွင်းမှုကို (၂၁-၅-၂၀၀၇) ရက် (၁၆:၃၀) နာရီတွင် ပိတ်ပါမည်။

၃။ တင်ဒါ ပုံစံနှင့် အသေးစိတ် အချက်အလက်များကို အောက်ပါလိပ်စာတွင်လာရောက်စုံစမ်းဝယ်ယူနိုင်ပါသည်။

ပြည်တွင်း/ပြည်ပ ပစ္စည်းများ ဝယ်ယူရေးနှင့် ထုတ်ဝေရေးဆိုင်ရာ
ပြန်ကြားရေးဝန်ကြီးဌာန
ပုံနှိပ်ရေးနှင့်စာအုပ်ထုတ်ဝေရေးလုပ်ငန်း
အမှတ် ၂၂၈၊ သိမ်ဖြူလမ်း၊ ရန်ကုန်မြို့
ဖုန်း- ၃၈၀၈၀၄ /၃၈၂၀၇၀

ပညာရေးဖြင့် ခေတ်မီမှုဖြိုးတိုးတက်သော နိုင်ငံတော်ကြီး တည်ဆောက်သွား

Intel launches new Centrino laptop platform

BEIJING , 10 May — Intel Corp on Wednesday launched its upgraded Centrino notebook platform, formerly code-named “Santa Rosa,” which will boost the performance, graphics and battery life of mobile computers.

Intel is generating wider interest this time because its new platform, a technology bundle of a processor, chipset and wireless card, are the first to use flash memory chips, which should translate into faster performance and longer battery life.

The new hardware will boost performance and battery life by storing some data on flash

memory. Flash chips can be accessed more quickly than a hard drive and also use less power.

“Probably the thing

most people will notice is the graphics controller, for better video capability,” said Mike Trainor, Intel’s chief mobile technology



Intel Corp on 9 May, 2007 launched its upgraded Centrino notebook platform, formerly code-named “Santa Rosa,” which will boost the performance, graphics and battery life of mobile computers.—

INTERNET

evangelist.

Intel says it has also improved the integrated graphics of Centrino laptops and is supporting the latest version of the Wi-Fi wireless technology that can deliver a maximum access speed of 300 megabits per second.

The new product runs on PCs from Hewlett-Packard Co, Dell Inc, Lenovo Group Ltd, Gateway Inc and others.

Intel has seen strong sales for its original Centrino platform, and the company said it has already tallied 230 platforms from various PC vendors that will be designed around the new Centrino. — Internet

2,700-year-old textiles found in Greece

BEIJING, 10 May — Greek archaeologists have discovered 2,700-year-old textile remains inside a copper funeral urn unearthed in the Peloponnese region, the country’s culture ministry said Wednesday.

The yellowed, brittle material was found in the corroding urn in a construction site in the city of Argos, 145 kilometers west of Athens.

The urn also contained pomegranate fruits, ash and a few bones. “Preserved organic matter from ancient times is exceptionally rare,” the ministry said in a statement, adding that the “extremely important” find is among the earliest ever found in the antiquities-rich area. “This is an extremely rare find, as fabric is an organic material which decomposes very easily,” said archaeologist Alkistis Papadimitriou, who headed the dig. She said only a handful of such artifacts have been found in Greece.

The urn has been preliminarily dated to between the Late Geometric and the Early Archaic era in the early seventh century BC.

Its fragile contents are being kept in the local museum. Conservation experts from Athens will work on the fragile find.— Internet

Fire in LA hills forces evacuation of zoo, park

LOS ANGELES, 10 May—A fire broke out in the hills above Los Angeles on Tuesday, not far from the famed Hollywood sign, forcing evacuation of the city’s largest park and zoo and snarling traffic on a major freeway. The fire, which authorities say may have been started by arson, began about 1:20 pm Pacific daylight time (PDT) (4:20 pm Eastern daylight time EDT) and was fanned by unseasonably high temperatures and hot Santa Ana winds.

The blaze was centred

in hilly Griffith Park, home of the Griffith Observatory, where scenes from James Dean classic movie “Rebel Without a Cause” were filmed in the 1950s.

Authorities evacuated people from the park, adjacent golf courses, a museum and the Los Angeles Zoo, which had a total of nearly 1,300 visitors on Tuesday. There were no reports of injury.

“The animal care staff is keeping an eye on the fire and on reports from the fire department and will take action if need be,” he said.

Fire officials said arson investigators were questioning an unidentified male who was seen walking out of the brush near the fire. That person was also hospitalized with injuries suffered in the fire but had not been named a suspect.

Some 160 firefighters, assisted by water-dropping aircraft, attacked the flames as thick black smoke billowed over much of Los Angeles and snarled traffic on the Hollywood Freeway, a major artery in and out of the city.—MNA/Reuters

Michelle Yeoh joins the third ‘Mummy’

BEIJING , 9 May — Malaysian actress Michelle Yeoh will star in the third installment of “The Mummy” series, which will be called “Mummy: Curse of the Dragon.”

Yeoh will play a wizard* in the third mummy film, in which kungfu star Jet Li plays the mummy. In this film, the mummy is an ancient Chinese emperor, a shape-shifting* entity* who was cursed by the wizard centuries ago.

The pair previously worked together in the kungfu movie “The Tai Chi Master,” so their latest collaboration* is eagerly anticipated as both of them are known for their martial arts* skills.

Part of the film, which will begin shooting on 27 July, will be shot in Qinshihuang’s terra-cotta* warriors* and horses museum in Xi’an, Shaanxi Province. It will be the first Hollywood production to be shot in the museum.

The movie will hit screens worldwide in July 2008.— Internet



Malaysian actress Michelle Yeoh. INTERNET

Chinese medical costs on the rise

BEIJING, 10 May—Medical fees for both inpatient and outpatient services have risen rapidly over the past six years, according to statistics released by the Ministry of Health (MoH) on Tuesday. The figures show that average

outpatient expenditure rose to 4,669 yuan (about 584 US dollars) in 2006, an increase of just under 44 per cent from 2001.

Outpatient medical fees averaged 129 yuan (16 US dollars) per person in 2006, rising by 7 to 9 per cent annually since 2001, according to the MoH. Over the same period, average inpatient prescription costs fell to 1,922 yuan (240 US dollars), accounting for 41 per cent of the total cost of medical fees.

China is now trying to provide its rural areas with a new healthcare system in a bid to improve standards in the

impoverished countryside. According to a recent government report by Premier Wen Jiabao, the trial area of the government’s rural co-operative healthcare system will be expanded this year to cover more than 80 per cent of counties, county-level cities and city districts.

Minister of Health Gao Qiang, stated that China was also reforming its urban medical services and planning a new service and management system in order to, “Provide quality, convenient, basic medical services at reasonable prices.”

MNA/Xinhua

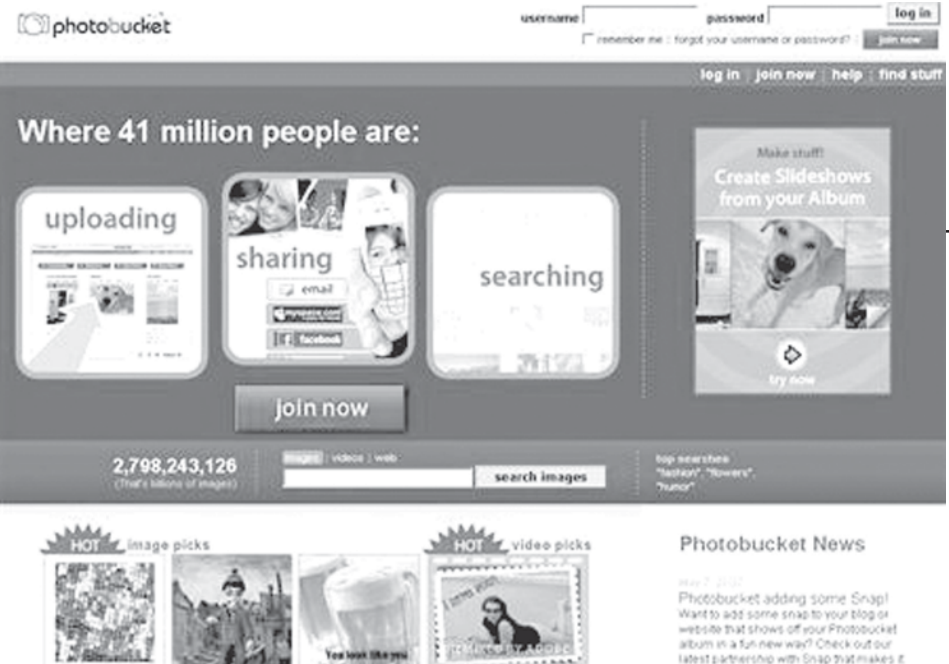


Image shows the homepage of Photobucket, the world’s top photo-sharing site. MySpace, part of Rupert Murdoch’s News Corp, has reached a preliminary deal to acquire Photobucket, a source familiar with the deal said on 7 May, 2007.— INTERNET

SPORTS

Getafe humiliate Barca 4-0 to make Cup final

MADRID, 11 May — Bernd Schuster's Getafe staged the comeback of the season to thrash Barcelona 4-0 and snatch a place in their first ever King's Cup final despite losing the first leg 5-2.

Barca, who have won the competition 24 times, were out-thought, out-fought and out-played by their modest opponents who claimed a thoroughly deserved 6-5 win on ag-

Defoe equalizer puts Spurs closer to UEFA Cup berth

LONDON, 11 May — England striker Jermain Defoe's 67th-minute equalizer gave Tottenham Hotspur a 1-1 draw at home to Blackburn Rovers on Thursday and kept Spurs on course for a place in the UEFA Cup.

Rovers took the lead just past the half hour through striker Benni McCarthy when he headed home a fine cross from Morten Gamst Pedersen but the draw ended their own UEFA Cup hopes.

Tottenham are sixth, equal on 57 points with Everton and two ahead of Bolton Wanderers. All three are in the UEFA Cup qualifying positions with one game to go on Sunday when Spurs host Manchester City.

MNA/Reuters

gregate and will meet treble-chasing Sevilla in the final at the Bernabeu.

Getafe laid siege to the Barcelona area from the first whistle, but despite creating a string of chances they did not take the lead until seven minutes before the break when midfielder Francisco Casquero volleyed home after a corner.

Five minutes later striker Daniel Guiza added a second, clipping the ball past keeper Albert Jorquera after an error by defender Gianluca Zambrotta.

MNA/Reuters

US gold medallist Riddick convicted of bank fraud

NEW YORK, 11 May — Steven Riddick, a US Olympic gold medallist, and co-defendant Nathaniel Alexander, were found guilty on Thursday of participating in a bank fraud scheme to cash 5 million US dollars of counterfeit cheques. A jury convicted Alexander and Riddick, who won the gold medal in the 4x100 metres relay at the 1976 Games in Montreal, on all counts, the US Attorney's office said.

Former US Olympic sprinter Tim Montgomery pleaded guilty last month to charges related to a 5-million-US-dollar fraud and money-laundering scheme.

MNA/Reuters

Liverpool close to Lucas deal



Brazilian midfielder Lucas INTERNET

LONDON, 11 May — Liverpool have won the race for Brazilian midfielder Lucas, according to his club Gremio.

The 20-year-old has long been linked with a move for Europe, as his impressive displays as the holding midfielder for Gremio have caught the eye of

watching scouts.

Gremio have claimed a host of teams came calling, but stated Liverpool acted quickly to wrap up the transfer.

"We did business very fast with Liverpool because there was a lot of interest," Gremio secretary Alfredo Oliveira told Radio Bandeirantes.

"Lucas travelled to England to present himself and although there are a few little details to be resolved, I can say that the transfer has been arranged and that Lucas will join his new team once Gremio's participation in the Copa Libertadores ends."

It is believed that Liverpool have paid in the region of £8 million for the Brazil international.

Gremio are in the quarter-finals of the Copa Libertadores, but Lucas should link-up with The Reds for pre-season in order to put pressure on the likes of Mohamed Sissoko, Xabi Alonso and Javier Mascherano. — Internet

Jol vows to deal with angry Ghaly



Spurs boss Martin Jol and Hossam Ghaly.—INTERNET

LONDON, 11 May — Spurs boss Martin Jol says he will deal with Hossam Ghaly internally after the Egyptian's show of indiscipline.

Ghaly is expected back in training on Friday after throwing his shirt to the ground when substituted in Tottenham's 1-1 draw with Blackburn on Thursday.

Jol said: "We always deal with this sort of thing.

"We have certain rules and arrangements, whether it is Dimitar Berbatov,

Robbie Keane or Jermain Defoe or Hossam Ghaly."

Tottenham striker Jermain Defoe earned them a 1-1 draw that means they only need a point to secure a Uefa Cup place.

Ghaly, 25, was brought on in the first half after an injury to Steed Malbranque, but lasted just 31 minutes before Robbie Keane replaced him as Spurs chased an equaliser.

Ghaly threw his shirt on the ground in front of Jol, who turned around as he headed straight down the tunnel.

Jol confirmed Ghaly was not in the dressing room after the final whistle. Ghaly's reaction left the home fans raging at White Hart Lane.

Jol added: "The fans are entitled to do that. It was out of character because he is a very good boy, he's always disciplined and every time he was involved he did well but you couldn't say he did well this time."

Internet

Reds complain over final tickets

LONDON, 10 May — Liverpool have complained about their ticket allocation for the UEFA Champions League final against Milan.

The Reds have been awarded 17,000 seats for the game at the 63,000-capacity Olympic Stadium in Athens, and believe they are entitled to ask UEFA for more.

Liverpool have been criticised by some of their own fans for their methods of distribution, with some having made arrangements to travel only to be told they will not qualify for a ticket.

"The bottom line is that UEFA have not supplied anywhere near enough tickets for the Champions League Final," read a statement from the club.

"Liverpool have expressed their disappointment and frustration to UEFA — but have been told categorically that no more tickets will be allocated to the club, not even the returned tickets from Milan — they will go into a UEFA ballot.

"Liverpool Football Club understands and shares the disappointment of their fans in what is a very frustrating situation.

"Our policy on tickets was available right from the start of the season and has not changed. "The ballot for Liverpool fans was drawn up to be as fair as possible to fans, but the bottom line is that UEFA have not supplied enough tickets for the match."

Internet



Paul Casey of England hits out of a bunker on the 18th green during the first round of play at The Players Championship golf tournament in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida, on 10 May, 2007.— INTERNET

Mickelson, Sabbatini set pace at Sawgrass

PONTE VEDRA BEACH (Florida), 11 May — Phil Mickelson, boosted by a 65-foot birdie putt on his penultimate hole, charged into a share of the lead in a blustery first round at the Players Championship on Thursday.

The American left-hander fired a five-under-par 67 in brutal conditions at the refurbished Tournament Players Club at Sawgrass to set the pace with South Africa's Rory Sabbatini.

US Ryder Cup player Chris DiMarco was alone in third after opening with a six-birdie 68, one stroke better than Australia's Peter Lonard.

MNA/Reuters

Federer beaten by Italian qualifier Volandri

ROME, 10 May — World number one Roger Federer was sent crashing out of the Rome Masters on Thursday after suffering a shock straight-sets defeat to unseeded Filippo Volandri.

The 25-year-old Italian delighted his home crowd after ousting the top-seeded Swiss 6-2 6-4 in the third round.

The defeat was Federer's first to any player other than Rafael Nadal on clay since April 2005. The result was the second surprise in the space of a few hours at the prestigious event after third seed Andy Roddick crashed out 6-0 6-4 to Juan Ignacio Chela earlier in the day.

Federer, who finished as runner-up at this event in 2003 and 2006, was downbeat after failing to get to grips with

Volandri in front of a partisan crowd. Federer said: "Today I couldn't get it together. The crowd and the opponent was tough. The crowd had a lot to cheer because the game was so one-sided. — Internet



Filippo Volandri (L) of Italy and Roger Federer of Switzerland play during their Rome Masters tennis match in Rome on 10 May, 2007. — INTERNET

China issues draft rules for pig slaughterhouses

BEIJING, 11 May — China issued draft rules for pig slaughterhouses to protect people's health and pork products' quality, the Ministry of Commerce said on its website on Wednesday.

The rules come the same day China pledged to clean up its food industry, after worldwide concerns about possible contamination of food exports following the death of some animals in the United States from pet food.

Slaughterhouses must be licensed and approved by local governments and environmental bureaux, and must be located away from drinking water supplies, residential districts and public areas.

Slaughterhouses must not inject water or other artificial substances to add weight to the meat, the rules said.

They must have proper meat storage and transport as well as waste disposal sites and equipment.

The central government has on occasion closed live markets to prevent the spread of animal-borne diseases to humans, particularly during outbreaks of bird flu.

In the summer of 2005, Streptococcus suis bacteria, contracted from slaughtering, handling or eating infected pigs, was linked to the deaths of nearly 40 people in the southwestern province of Sichuan, the centre of China's pork industry.

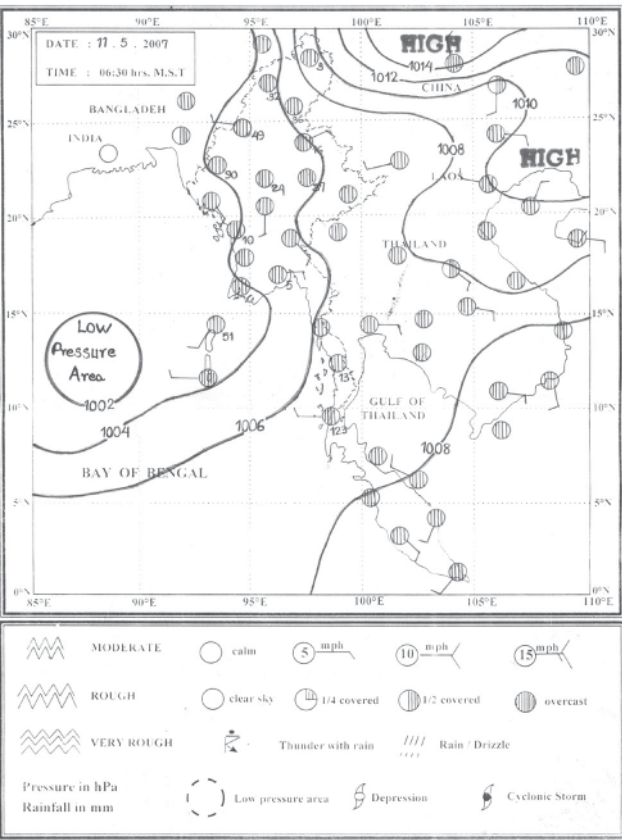
Concerns have been growing about China's food industry, where the temptation to cut corners by unregulated companies operating on thin margins has outpaced the ability of regulatory agencies to enforce standards.

MNA/Reuters



US soldiers walk inside a provisional military base as they leave to patrol the town of Tarmiyah on 10 May, 2007. — INTERNET

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Friday, 11 May, 2007

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours MST: During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been widespread in Kachin State, Sagaing and Yangon Divisions, fairly widespread in Shan and Mon States, Bago and Taninthayi Divisions, scattered in Chin, Rakhine, Kayah States and Mandalay Division and isolated in the remaining States and Divisions. Day temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) below May average temperature in Shan State, Yangon, Bago and Mandalay Divisions, (5°C) to (6°C) below May average temperature in Kachin State and Sagaing Division and about May average temperature in the remaining States and Divisions. The significant day temperature were Minbu and Magway (37°C) each. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Kawthoung (6.14) inches, Kaleywa (3.82) inches, Minkin (2.87) inches, Homalin (2.44) inches, Hinthada (2.17) inches, CoCo Island (2.01) inches, Khayan (1.77) inches, Myitkyina (1.53) inches, Lashio (1.50) inches, Hkamti (1.26) inches, Loikaw (1.18) inches and Mandalay (0.94) inch.

Maximum temperature on 10-5-2007 was 89°F. Minimum temperature on 11-5-2007 was 76°F. Relative humidity at 09:30 hours MST on 11-5-2007 was 93%. Total sunshine hours on 10-5-2007 was (3.4) hrs (approx).

Rainfall on 11-5-2007 was (0.04) inch at Mingaladon, (0.31) inch at Kaba-Aye and (0.11) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2007 was (14.96) inches at Mingaladon, (19.17) inches at Kaba-Aye and (16.61) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (8) mph from South at (15:30) hours MST on 10-5-2007.

Bay inference: According to the observations at (06:30) hrs MST today, low pressure areas has formed over South East Bay. Weather is partly cloudy to cloudy in the Andaman Sea, South Bay and partly cloudy elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 12-5-2007: Rain or thundershowers will be widespread in Mon and Kayin States, Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions, fairly widespread in Rakhine State, Bago and Ayeyawady Divisions, scattered in Kachin and Chin State, Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions and isolated in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Seas will be moderate to rough in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of advancement of Southwest monsoon in Southern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring areas for 12-5-2007: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring areas for 12-5-2007: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring areas for 12-5-2007: During the coming weekend, rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Nay Pyi Taw and Mandalay Division, one or two rain or thundershowers in Yangon Division.



Saturday, 12 May
View on today

7:00 am

- 1. ကျေးဇူးရှင်မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၊ နိုင်ငံတော်သံဃာ့ မဟာနာယကအဖွဲ့အကျိုးတော် ဆောင်ရွက်၊ အဘိဓမ္မမဟာသဒ္ဒမ္မ ဂုရု၊ အဘိဓမ္မအဂ္ဂမဟာသဒ္ဒမ္မ ဇောတိက၊ တိပိဋကဓရ၊ ဓမ္မဘဏ္ဍာဂါရိက၊ ဆရာတော် ဘဒ္ဒန္တဝိစိတ္တသာရာဘိဝံသ၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်

7:25 am

- 2. To be healthy exercise

7:30 am

- 3. Morning news

7:40 am

- 4. Nice and sweet song

7:55 am

- 5. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:15 am

- 6. Musical programme

8:30 am

- 7. International news

8:45 am

- 8. Grammer made easy

11:00 am

- 1. Martial song

11:15 am

- 2. Musical programme

11:30 am

- 3. News

11:40 am

- 4. Games for children

12:05 pm

- 5. လက်ဆင့်ကမ်းစေ အနုပညာအမွေ

1:05 pm

- 6. လူမှုကရုဏာစာနာရေး ဝိုင်းဝန်းလက်တွဲဖော်ဆောင်ပေး

1:20 pm

- 7. Dance of national races

1:35 pm

- 8. ချင်းပြည်နယ်ရဲ့ အလှတစ်ပါးဗားရိုတ်တာ

1:45 pm

- 9. အကပြိုင်ပွဲ

1:55 pm

- 10. မူဟန်သွယ်သွယ်ဆိုကြမယ်

2:10 pm

- 11. လက်ဆင့်ကမ်းပေးဂီတတေး (ဆိုင်း)(ဦးစိန်လှမြိုင်နှင့်အဖွဲ့)

2:20 pm

- 12. တူပြိုင်ယှဉ်နဲ့ ASEAN New Media Art Competition 2006

2:30 pm

- 13. “အားနာလိုက်တာ” (မောစို၊ ကျော်စာနည်လှိုင်၊ နန်းကလျာလှိုင်) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-စောစန္ဒာလှိုင်)

2:40 pm

- 14. အစဉ်အလာကောင်းသည့် လှိုင်းချောင်းတစ်

2:45 pm

- 15. International news

4:00 pm

- 1. Martial song

4:15 pm

- 2. Songs to uphold National Spirit

4:30 pm

- 3. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ် ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ -ပထမနှစ် (ဓာတုဗေဒ၊ ရူပဗေဒ၊ သတ္တဗေဒ၊ ရုက္ခဗေဒ အထူးပြုများ) (ဓာတုဗေဒ)

4:45 pm

- 4. နားဝင်ပီယသုလက်သံ

4:55 pm

- 5. Musical programme

5:05 pm

- 6. Games for children

5:30 pm

- 7. ရသပေါ်လွင် သရုပ်ဆောင်လွင်ပြင်

6:00 pm

- 8. Evening news

6:30 pm

- 9. Weather report

6:35 pm

- 10. အလှရှာမယ်လှကမ္ဘာဝယ်

6:45 pm

- 11. အသွင်ပြောင်း ဒီပလိုမေစီ၏ ဇာတ်ကောင်များကို အထူးသတိပြု (အပိုင်း-၂)

7:10 pm

- 12. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ “သမားတော်”(အပိုင်း-၂၄)

8:00 pm

- 13. News

14. International news

15. Weather report

- 16. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ “ချစ်ပန်းနှင်းဆီ” (အပိုင်း-၁၅)

17. The next day's programme



Saturday, 12 May
Tune in today

8:30 am Brief news

8:35 am Music:

8:40 am Perspectives

8:45 am Music:

8:50 am National news

9:00 am Music:

9:05 am International news

9:10 am Music:

1:30 pm News / Slogan

1:40pm Music at your request

9:00pm ASEAN news

Exchange news from ASEAN member countries

9:20 pm Myanma culture

... Dr Khin Maung Nyunt

9:30 pmSouvenir

9:45 pm News / Slogan

10:00 pm PEL

Senior General Than Shwe accepts credentials of Ambassador of Republic of Korea

NAY PYI TAW, 11 May — Mr Park Key-Chong, newly accredited Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to the Union of Myanmar, presented his credentials to Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, at Bayintnaung Yeiktha, here, at 10.30 am today.

Also present on the occasion were Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thein Sein, Minister for Foreign Affairs

U Nyan Win, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Maung Myint and Director-General U Kyaw Kyaw of the Protocol Department. — MNA

*Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council
Senior General Than Shwe
accepts credentials of newly accredited Ambassador of the Republic of Korea Mr Park Key-Chong in Nay Pyi Taw.*

MNA



Newly accredited Thai Ambassador presents credentials to Senior General Than Shwe



Senior General Than Shwe receives newly accredited Ambassador of Thailand Mr Bansarn Bunnag in Nay Pyi Taw. — MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 11 May — Mr Bansarn Bunnag, newly accredited Ambassador of the Kingdom of Thailand to the Union of Myanmar, presented his credentials to Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, at Bayintnaung Yeiktha, here, (See page 10)

Weather Forecast for 12-5-2007

Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring areas
Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).
Yangon and neighbouring areas
One or two thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).
Mandalay and neighbouring areas
Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

SIGNIFICANT DAY TEMPERATURES ON 11-5-2007

NAY PYI TAW	97°F
YANGON	90°F
MANDALAY	95°F
MINBU	99°F
MAGWAY	99°F