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## 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

## Secretary-1 and wife attend 59<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of National Day of PRC

YANGON, 29 Sept— Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo and wife Daw Khin Saw Hnin attended reception to mark the 59<sup>th</sup> Anniversary National Day of the People's Republic of China at Sedona Hotel on Kaba Aye Pagoda Road this evening.

Also present on the occasion together with the Secretary-1 were Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence and wife Daw Khin Thet Htay, the ministers, the deputy ministers, senior military officers, officials of SPDC office and departments, ambassadors of the embassies, Charges d'Affaires and guests.

On arrival at Sedona Hotel, Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo and wife Daw Khin Saw Hnin were welcomed by Chinese Ambassador to the Union of Myanmar Mr Guan Mu.

The Chinese Ambassador reported on the documentary photos of Beijing Olympics. Next, the national anthems of the two countries were played.

The Secretary-1 and the Chinese Ambassador cut the 59<sup>th</sup> Anniversary National Day commemorative cake.

Next, the Secretary-1 and the diplomats had documentary photos taken. Chinese Ambassador Mr Guan Mu hosted dinner in honour of the Secretary-1 and wife and the guests.— MNA



*Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo and wife Daw Khin Saw Hnin being welcomed by Chinese Ambassador Mr Guan Mu.—MNA*

## Ancient Phoenician harbour discovered off Sardinian coast



WASHINGTON, 29 Sept—Archaeologists in Sardinia have claimed to have found the port of the Phoenician city of Tharros, held by some to be the ancient peoples most important colony in the Mediterranean after

Carthage.

Researchers from the University of Cagliari and Sassari found the submerged port in the Mistras Lagoon, several kilometers from the city ruins.

Excavations have long been going on at the site of the city itself, on a peninsula overlooking the Bay of Oristano in western Sardinia, but this is the first time its waterfront has been located despite almost two centu-

ries of hunting.

As well as an impressive sandstone wall 100 metres in length and four metres in width, the archaeologists discovered a basin carved in the rock, similar to Carthage's man-made, protected inner harbour.

A rectilinear waterfront stretches for 225 metres with a 190-metre jetty and there is a 50-metre-long approach canal for ships, according to the researchers.

Internet

## Myanmar wins two gold in World Wushu



*Gold medallist Aung Si Thu*

YANGON, 29 Sept— Myanmar Wushu team took part in the Wushu event of the 4<sup>th</sup> World Sports held at Pusan, the

Republic of Korea from 26 to 29 September.

Aung Si Thu won a gold medal and Si Si Sein also, a gold medal in the respective events and Myanmar Wushu team will arrive back by air on 1 October.

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*Gold medallist Si Si Sein*

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## PERSPECTIVES

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### Collectively take care of senior citizens

With the recommendation of the 52<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of the Social Development Commission of the UN General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council on 21 July 1997 adopted the 1 October 1999 as the International Day of Older Persons.

With advancement in biotechnology, people of the world have been able to enjoy longevity, thereby resulting in an increase in the number of older persons. Consequently, the volume of work for taking care of older persons has become huge and profound.

The development of the social sector is one of the tasks being carried out by the government in its effort to build a modern and developed nation. The work for taking care of older persons is being carried out as a social task in accord with traditions, culture and custom. It was Daw Oo Zun who introduced the work for taking care of older persons on Mingun on 12<sup>th</sup> Waning of Pyatho, 1276 ME as a pioneer to take care of a large number of older persons who had become helpless due to the scourge of aggressive wars launched by colonialists.

She also opened a string of homes for the aged in the states and divisions. It is incumbent upon the youths to help the older persons so that the latter can live a comfortable life and to value their practical experience.

Holding in high regard the older persons, all the youths are to earnestly be of service to the senior citizens.

*Minister Maj-Gen Khin Aung Myint delivers an address at 10th Asian Art Show held in Jingzhou, Yunnan Province, PRC.—MNA*



## 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

### Minister visits industries in ROK

NAY PYI TAW, 29 Sept —Minister for Industry-2 Vice-Admiral Soe Thein and delegation members arrived back here on 26 September after visiting the Republic of Korea to study Korean industries from 21 to 26 September at the invitation of the government of the Republic of Korea.

Minister Vice-Admiral Soe Thein met with Chairman of Daewoo Co Ltd Mr Il Pyo Lee on 22 September. In the evening, Minister Vice-Admiral Soe Thein and Korea Development Institute Prof Mr Sang Woo Nam discussed matters related to the technical training school.

On 23 September, the minister together with Ambassador U Myo Lwin and Korea International Organization Agency President Mr Park Dae-Won discussed matters on Myanmar-Korean technical training school. Next, the minister and President Mr Hwang Su



*Vice-Admiral Soe Thein receives Mr Park Dae-Won of Korea International Organization Agency.—MNA*

Yu and party of Korea Engineering and Consulting Association discussed on the industrial cooperation. In the evening they visited the technical training school of Korea Chamber of Commerce and Industry where they were conducted around by Director General Mr Lee Kyang-rong. Next, the

minister encouraged the Myanmar trainees of the Ministry of Industry-2.

On 24 September morning, Minister Vice-Admiral Soe Thein called on Mr Youn Ho Lee, Minister of Knowledge Economy and discussed matters related to industrial growth of the two countries. The minister and party then

visited Samsung Electronics Co where they were conducted round the workshops by Vice President Mr Kim Jin Ho.

On 25 September morning, the minister and party visited the steel plant of POSCO, the workshop of Hyundai Motors Co and Hyundai Heavy Industries.

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### Minister attends 10<sup>th</sup> Asian Art Show

NAY PYI TAW, 29 Sept — Minister for

Culture Maj-Gen Khin Aung Myint attended the 10<sup>th</sup> Asian Art Show held in Jingzhou in Yunnan Province, the People's Republic of China together with State Councilor of the PRC Madame Liu Yang-dong, Minister for Culture of the PRC Mr Cai Wei, the ministers from Asian countries, the deputy ministers, ambassadors and delegates from Asia.

Delegates from 18 Asian countries and over 30 cultural troupes also attended the show.

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### Schedule for final exam of UDE announced

YANGON, 29 Sept —The final examination of the first batch of students of the academic year for 2008 of Yangon University of Distance Education and Mandalay University of Distance Education will be held from 6 to 13 October at branches of the universities.

Similarly, the intensive course for the second batch of students of the academic year 2008 will be conducted from 15 to 24 October and the final examination from 28 October to 4 November at the branches of the universities.

Likewise, the intensive course for the third batch of students of the academic year 2008 will be conducted from 7 to 17 November and the final examination from 21 to 29 November at the branches of the universities.

The students are to sit for the exam at their respective universities and degree colleges they have registered.

The detailed facts are being put on board at Yangon University of Distance Education, Mandalay University of Distance Education and their branches at universities and degree colleges.—MNA



## Three dead in Algerian suicide attack



*Police investigates at a site of a bomb attack in August 2008. Three people were killed and six others were wounded in a suicide attack near the Algerian capital, APS news agency quoted security officials as saying on Monday.*

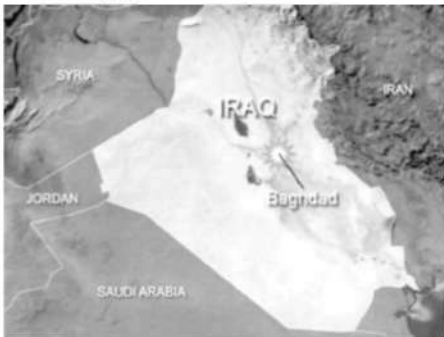
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ALGIERS, 29 Sept—Three people were killed and six others were wounded in a suicide attack near the Algerian capital, APS news agency quoted security officials as saying on Monday.

The bomber blew up his car packed with explosives near the town of Dellys, about 40 kilometres (20 miles) east of Algiers, late Sunday at the end of the daily Ramadan fast.

APS did not indicate who might have been targeted in the attack. The lives of those injured were not in danger, the report said. No one has claimed responsibility for the bombing, the first in Algeria since the start of Ramadan on 1 September, state radio reported.—Internet

## Baghdad bombs kill at least 32



*A car bomb killed at least 32 people in southwestern Baghdad on Sunday, police said.*

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BAGHDAD, 29 Sept—Four bombs killed at least 32 people and wounded scores in busy districts of Baghdad on Sunday as Iraqis shopped and broke

their fast for the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, police said.

A car bomb exploded in a parking lot in central Baghdad's busy Karrada shopping district. Almost immediately afterwards, a suicide bomber detonated a vest packed with explosives at the same spot, the Interior Ministry said, after investigating the scene. The double strike killed at least 19 people and wounded 72, police said. A short time earlier a bomb exploded in a parked car in Baghdad's Shurta neighbourhood in the early evening, killing at least 12 people and wounding 35, police said. At about the same time another bomb attached to a car in the nearby Hay al-Amil neighborhood killed one person.—Internet

## Airbus A320 final assembly line in Tianjin goes into operation

TIANJIN, 29 Sept—An A320 final assembly line of the world aircraft giant Airbus, the first of its kind built outside Europe, was officially inaugurated on Sunday in the north China metropolis of Tianjin. Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao and Airbus Chief Executive Officer Thomas Enders attended the inauguration ceremony.

The line, a joint venture between Airbus and Tianjin Zhongtian Aviation Industry Investment Co, was built in just 15 months. The first A320 plane it assembles is expected to come off line by summer 2009. The Tianjin assembly line, the third on top of two in Toulouse and Hamburg, is to deliver two types of aircraft of the A320 family—A319 and A320. The A320 family, which includes the A318, A319, A320 and A321, is recognized as the benchmark single-aisle aircraft family.

Xinhua



*Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao (C), Airbus President and Chief Executive Officer Thomas Enders (L) and Chinese Tianjin Party Chief Zhang Gaoli attend the Airbus Tianjin A320 final assembling line inauguration ceremony in north China's Tianjin Municipality, on 28 Sept, 2008.—XINHUA*

*A man removes debris from his shop after a bomb attack in Baghdad's Shurta neighbourhood on 29 Sept, 2008. Four bombs killed at least 32 people and wounded scores in busy districts of Baghdad on Sunday, police said.*

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## Officials say 5 dead or hurt in Lebanon explosion

BEIRUT, 29 Sept—A car bomb exploded near a military bus carrying troops to work in northern Lebanon on Monday, killing at least five people and wounding at least 21, Lebanese security officials said.

Most of the casualties were soldiers, the officials said.

The officials said the car was booby-trapped and parked on a roadside. The bomb was detonated by remote control as the military bus drove by at the southern entrance to the northern city of Tripoli.

The explosion happened during morning rush hour, the officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to the media.—Internet



*The remains of a car after an explosion on the main road in Tripoli, northern Lebanon, on 29 Sept, 2008.*

INTERNET

## Sudan says six kidnappers killed in shootout

KHARTOUM, 29 Sept—Sudanese forces have killed six heavily-armed bandits who kidnapped 19 European tourists and their Egyptian guides in a remote desert nine days ago, the Army said.

The shootout erupted as Sudanese troops were scouring the desert for the 11 tourists and eight Egyptians who were snatched during a desert safari in southwestern Egypt and taken into Sudan, an Army statement said.

Troops searching the Jebel Uweinat mountain range on the Sudan-Libya-Egypt border "spotted a moving white vehicle (and) when the soldiers tried to make it stop those inside the car opened fire," it said.—Internet

## Four killed in Somalia fighting

MOGADISHU, 29 Sept—Somali Islamist insurgents attacked African Union peacekeepers and government forces in the capital Mogadishu, and at least four people were killed in the clashes, witnesses said Monday.

Two civilians and a soldier died in an attack overnight near the presidential palace, Villa Baidoa, they said.

Another civilian died in crossfire in southern Mogadishu's Holwadag district, bringing the death toll to four. At least seven others were wounded, residents said.—Internet

## Bomb blast in Sri Lankan capital injures two

COLOMBO, 29 Sept—A small bomb exploded in the centre of the Sri Lankan capital Monday, leaving two people with minor injuries, police said.

Six vehicles were badly damaged in the blast, which took place in Colombo's heavily fortified commercial area, an AFP photographer at the scene said.

Security is extremely tight in Colombo as fighting rages between the military and Tamil Tiger rebels in the north of the island. "It was a small bomb, about 100 grammes (3.5 ounces), that went off under a brown coloured parked van," police spokesman Ranjith Gunasekara said.—Internet



*A Syrian boy, wounded in a bomb blast, sits on a hospital bed in Damascus. A weekend bombing which left 17 people dead in the Syrian capital was a suicide attack by a "terrorist" with links to an Islamist extremist group, the official news agency SANA said on Monday.—INTERNET*

## Venezuelan President launches party's campaign for local elections

CARACAS, 29 Sept—Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez on Sunday launched the campaign for his United Socialist Party ahead of the November local elections, immediately after wrapping up a tour of Asia and Europe.

Chavez presided over an event in the capital Caracas attended by his party's candidates to 603 posts of governors, mayors and provincial

legislators.

The President urged party members to work hard to win all the local positions during the regional elections slated for 23 Nov.

According to Venezuela's National Electoral Council, 215 candidates are in the running for local governorships, while 2,340 will vie for mayoral posts and another 6,000 for provincial legislative

council positions.

During the past week, Chavez visited China, Russia, France and Portugal, signing various cooperation agreements with them. He also visited the Cuban capital of Havana to meet with former leader Fidel Castro and his brother Raul Castro, the current president of the Central American country.

*Xinhua*

### All items from Xinhua News Agency

## At least 17 killed in traffic accident in Peru

LIMA, 29 Sept— A passenger bus shot of the road on Sunday and fell into a cliff killing at least 17 people and injuring 10 in the north of Peru.

The police said the accident was due to excess of speed and the bad conditions of the road near the locality of Olmos, 800 km north to capital Lima.

The bus had 78 passengers aboard and was travelling from Tarapoto to Sullana.

The bus shot of the highway in a curve, went down by 60-m pendant and among the dead people there are two children. —*Xinhua*



*People inspect a bus after an accident in the northern city of Lambayeque on 28 Sept, 2008. More than ten people died when the bus fell from a cliff as it travelled along a highway in the north of Peru, according to police.—XINHUA*

## China's Zoomlion buys Italy's construction machinery maker CIFA

CHANGSHA, 29 Sept—China's top construction machinery maker, Zoomlion, signed a purchase agreement with Italy's Compagnia Italiana Forme Acciaio Spa (CIFA) here on Sunday.

Zoomlion, along with

Goldman Sachs and two other investors, plans to buy CIFA for 271 million Euros (395.7 million US dollars). Changsha Zoomlion Industry Science and Technology Development Co Ltd will pay 163 million Euros for



*Personnel involved in China's manned spaceflight mission and relatives cheer up at Beijing Space Command and Control Centre in Beijing, capital of China, on 28 Sept, 2008, celebrating China's Shenzhou-7 spacecraft's successful spacewalk mission.—XINHUA*

## Suicide attack kills six, injures 17 others in S Afghanistan

KABUL, 29 Sept—A suicide bomber exploded himself near the patrolling Afghan police vehicles Sunday evening in southern Afghan province of Kandahar leaving six people dead and 17 others wounded, a police official said.

Matiwullah Khan, provincial police chief told *Xinhua* that it occurred at around 06:00 pm local time (GMT 1230) when a suicide bomber came by a motorbike then exploded himself up near police vehicles patrolling in the centre of Spin Boldak district killing three policemen and three civilians on the spot.

“Two police vehicles were completely damaged,” he said, adding “five more policemen and 12 civilians were injured in the blast.”

Meanwhile, Qari Yusuf Ahmadi, the purported Taliban spokesman took the responsibility for the bloody attack by saying that one Taliban fighter carried out the suicide bombing killing and wounding over 12 policemen.

Earlier the day, Taliban militants shot dead a female senior police official Malalai Kakar in front of her house in Kandahar city, capital of Kandahar province.

*Xinhua*

## Typhoon Jangmi expected to affect east China with downpours

FUZHOU, 29 Sept—Typhoon Jangmi shaved the coastal area of east China's Fujian Province early on Monday and moved northeastward to Zhejiang Province and Shanghai, local meteorological bureau said.

Jangmi, the 15th and strongest typhoon of this year, ebbed and changed its path to northeast after landing in Yilan, at 3:40 pm Sunday.

The eye of the typhoon was about 200 km southeast of Fuding in Fujian at 7 am, packing



*A villager collects garbage against wind at Xiasha Seashore Holiday Resort in Changle, southeast China's Fujian Province on 28 Sept, 2008.—XINHUA*

winds of up to force 12, or 126 km per hour, according to the Fujian Provincial Meteorological

Bureau.

It was expected to keep ebbing in the next two days and move at 15 to 20 km per hour to Zhejiang and Shanghai, bringing the eastern coastal areas force 11-12 winds and torrential rains.

Though the typhoon did not make landfall in Fujian, it was a close shave, said the provincial meteorological bureau, which issued an orange warning alert for typhoon, the second level alert next to the red one, at 6 am on Monday. —*Xinhua*



*Photo shows a scene by the Yellow River, China's second longest and popularly known as China's mother river, in northwest China's Qinghai Province, on 19 Sept, 2008. The clear water and the sights on the riverbanks present an appealing autumn scenery in the recent days.—XINHUA*





**An Iraqi soldier stands guard at the site of a bombing in central Baghdad's district of Karrada recently. At least 19 people died when a parked car bomb exploded and 72 people were wounded in the blast, police and hospital officials said.—INTERENT**

## Indian police detain about 12 over Delhi blast

NEW DELHI, 29 Sept—Indian police have detained about a dozen people in connection with a deadly bomb blast in a crowded New Delhi market, officials said on Sunday, the second attack in the capital this month.

Police said they had witnesses who could identify the two men who dropped a plastic bag in

the capital's busy Mehrauli market, before speeding away on a motorcycle on Saturday. A boy picked up the bag and ran after the motorcyclists to return it when there was a huge explosion, killing him on the spot. A 60-year-old man died in hospital later. Twenty-two people were wounded in the blast.

"We are interrogating

a lot of people for clues and should come up with some answers soon," Rajan Bhagat, the Delhi police spokesman said on Sunday.

In the neighboring state of Haryana, police detained two people in connection with a threat about possible bomb blasts made to Delhi police last Friday.

Internet

## Venezuela to build nuclear technology with Russia

CARACAS (Venezuela), 29 Sept—President Hugo Chavez said Sunday that Russia will help Venezuela develop nuclear energy — a move likely to raise US concerns over increasingly close cooperation between Caracas and Moscow.

Chavez said he accepted an offer from Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin for assistance in building a nuclear reactor.

"Russia is ready to support Venezuela in the development of nuclear energy with peaceful

purposes and we already have a commission working on it," Chavez said. "We are interested in developing nuclear energy."

Putin offered Chavez assistance in developing nuclear energy during a meeting in the Russian city of Novo-Ogaryovo last week. The prime minister did not specify what kind of cooperation he could offer Venezuela, but Russia is aggressively promoting itself as a builder of nuclear power plants in developing nations.

Russia has ramped up its cooperation with Venezuela since last month's war with Georgia, which badly damaged Moscow's already strained ties with the West, particularly the United States.

During Chavez's visit to Russia last week, a Russian naval squadron sailed for the Caribbean Sea in preparation for joint exercises with Venezuela later this year — a move that appeared retaliatory after the US sent warships to deliver aid to Georgia.

Internet

## Death toll from Vietnam floods rises to 41

HANOI (Vietnam), 29 Sept—The death toll from floods triggered by Typhoon Hagupit rose to 41 as rescue workers began to reach isolated villages devastated by a storm that has caused at least \$65 million in damage, officials said Monday.

At least five people were still missing and feared dead in the storm, which washed away more than 1,000 houses and damaged 10,000 more, according to Vietnam's committee on floods and storm control.

The storm has caused at least \$65 million in damages, the committee said Monday.

In the worst-hit province of Son La, two more bodies were found Sunday, bringing the toll there to 16. Three people were still missing, said provincial disaster official Trinh Ngoc Bao. Some areas are inaccessible by cars or trucks, complicating rescue efforts, he said.—Internet

**Ragdoll cats are presented to judges during an international feline beauty contest in Bucharest on 28 Sept, 2008. —XINHUA**



**Indian security personnel inspect the site of a bomb blast in New Delhi on 27 Sept, 2008.**

INTERNET

## Oil falls in Asia on global slowdown fears

SINGAPORE, 29 Sept—Oil prices fell below \$106 a barrel Monday in Asia on concern that economic growth will slow across the globe despite a tentative agreement in Washington on a \$700 billion bailout package to stabilize the US financial system.

Light, sweet crude for November delivery was down \$1.03 to \$105.86 a barrel in electronic trading

on the New York Mercantile Exchange by midday in Singapore.

The contract fell Friday \$1.13 to settle at \$106.89.

Congressional leaders and the White House agreed Sunday to a rescue of the ailing financial industry after lawmakers insisted on sharing spending controls with the Bush administration.

The biggest US bailout in history won the tentative

support of both presidential candidates and goes to the House of Representatives for a vote Monday.

"The bailout package reduces the chance of a complete meltdown," said Victor Shum, an energy analyst with Purvin & Gertz in Singapore.

"But worries on the demand side will continue to weigh on oil prices."

Internet



**Indonesian President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, seen here, will run for a second term in next year's election, with Vice President Jusuf Kalla his probable running mate, reports said**

INTERNET

trounced by Yudhoyono in the 2004 election.

Anger over a government decision to hike fuel prices by about 30 percent in May to offset the ballooning cost of multi-billion dollar subsidies has hit the liberal ex-general's popularity ratings.—Internet

## Indonesian President to run for a second term

JAKARTA, 29 Sept—Indonesian President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono will run for a second term in next year's election, with Vice President Jusuf Kalla his probable running mate, reports said Monday.

"God willing I will run again for president in 2009," he was quoted as saying by *Kompas daily* during a meeting at the state palace late Sunday, confirming his widely expected bid for a second five-year term.

"It's too premature to announce it, but it is very likely I will run with Jusuf Kalla," he said after inviting Kalla to the palace to break the daily Ramadan fast.

Indonesia's first democratically elected president is considered favourite to win the polls but he is facing a resurgent threat from former president Megawati Sukarnoputri, who was





*This model of the Lynda and Stewart Resnick Exhibition Pavilion, seen in this undated photo provided by the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, shows what the massive new 45,000-square-foot, Renzo Piano-designed gallery for special exhibits will look like when it is completed at the Los Angeles museum.—INTERNET*

## India's SMEs to contribute to 22% of GDP

NEW DELHI, 29 Sept—With the improvement in technology, India's small and medium enterprises' contribution to the GDP of the country is likely to go up by at least 5 per cent and touch 22 per cent by 2012, a study by the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry (Assocham) has said. Since over 55 per cent of the small and medium enterprises (SMEs) are aggressively upgrading themselves technologically to reduce their input costs and increase production and exports, this sector is op-

timistic of achieving this goal, according to a paper brought out by the Assocham.

Currently, SMEs share in national GDP stands at around 17 per cent as in the last couple of years the small scale industries part of small and medium enterprises were facing not only recession but credit crunch and variety of regulatory issues from centre, states and local governments.

The scenario has started changing after the enactment of micro, small and medium enterprises development Act (MSME) 2006, the fruits of

which would soon start flowing, as the sector has now been relaxed and liberalised to a large extent, adds the Assocham study 'Tomorrow's Blue Chips'.

The study revealed that SMEs that had been growing at 35 per cent over the last two years would register a 40 per cent growth rate, which would be technologically driven and contribute to manufacturing outputs to an extent of 46 per cent. The sector's present manufacturing contribution is around 40-42 per cent. —Internet

## Police get call over non-floppy rabbit ears

Your rabbit's ears aren't floppy? Sorry, that's not an emergency. So said police in Scotland when a woman rang the emergency 999 number to discuss her concerns about her new pet. She said the newspaper ad promised floppy ears, but flop they would not.

Central Scotland Police said Monday they were equally unimpressed by another caller who complained

that a passing car had splashed water on him, and by someone else inquiring about the postal code for a town's post office.

"Whilst officers and staff are dealing with these frivolous matters that a member of the public has deemed so serious as to call 999, they are not dealing with genuine emergency calls," said Chief Inspector Alan Stewart.



*Classic yachts sail in the bay of Cannes, southeastern France, during the 30th Régates Royales of Cannes.*

*The Régates Royales is the focal point of the season with more than 150 crews sailing on 10- to 50-metre long classic yachts*

## India's soybean output may reach record as rains spur planting

BLOOMBERG, 29 Sept—India, Asia's biggest supplier of soybean meal, may harvest a record crop for a second year after higher prices and early rains boosted planting.

Soybean production in the year to June 30, 2009, may reach as much as 11.5 million metric tons, compared with 9.5 million tons a year earlier, Dinesh Shahra, managing director of Ruchi Soya Industries Ltd, the nation's biggest processor of the oilseed, said in an interview in Mumbai yesterday. That compares with 9.94 million tons forecast by the government on 25 Sept

and a range of 10.5 million tons to 11.5 million tons estimated by four company executives, including Sudhakar Desai of Bunge Ltd., at a vegetable oil conference in Mumbai yesterday.

Higher output may increase exports of meal, used as an animal feed, to as much as 6 million tons in the year starting October, from 5 million tons this year, said Shahra.

Increased exports of animal feed made from soybeans to countries including Vietnam, Japan and South Korea may pose com-

petition to suppliers from the US, Brazil and Argentina.

Soybean meal futures for December delivery fell 2.4 percent to \$320.7 a ton on the Chicago Board of Trade on 26 Sept. The futures have dropped 28 percent from the 3 July peak of \$445.70.

Farmers in the central state of Madhya Pradesh, which accounts for more than half of the nation's soybean production, planted the crop 15 to 20 days earlier than normal, the Soybean Processors Association of India, a trade body, said. —Internet

## Gasoline price falls, may drop more

NEW YORK, 29 Sept—The price of a gallon of gasoline in the United States dropped in the last two weeks as Hurricane Ike led to lower demand for fuel, and the cost of filling the tank will likely keep falling, a prominent industry analyst said on Sunday.

The national average price for self-serve, regular unleaded gas fell 3.8 cents to \$3.6582 a gallon on 26 September, from \$3.6963 two weeks earlier, according to

the nationwide Lundberg Survey. Diesel fuel fell 9.7 cents to \$4.1627 a gallon from \$4.2597.

"Ike reduced driving in areas that were damaged," Trilby Lundberg, who compiles the survey, said in an interview. "Retailers also kept prices in check, perhaps to avoid being accused of price gouging."

Ike slammed into the Texas coast on 13 September. A comeback in refining capacity, along with higher

imports, is now adding supply and "will allow for further price cuts immediately," Lundberg said.

The Lundberg survey evaluates prices at about 5,000 gas stations. That is down from 7,000 two weeks ago, reflecting a new sampling model that Lundberg said does not affect the survey's accuracy. The price of a gallon of gasoline is down more than 45 cents from the record \$4.1124 set on 11 July.—Internet



*The Science on a Sphere globe created by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is seen in the new Sant Ocean Hall in the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History in Washington. The \$49 million project — the biggest renovation since the museum opened in 1910 — combines several elements to tell the tale of the sea.*

## Man clipped by train after lighting cigarette

A southern Illinois man will probably pay more attention the next time he lights a cigarette near railroad tracks. Authorities said 25-year-old Brandon Robles escaped serious injury early Sunday when he was clipped by a passing Union Pacific train when he stopped near the tracks for a smoke.

Workers on the train told authorities they thought they'd hit a man, launching a search that included dogs. But no body was found.

## Fla police use Taser on nude man walking a dog

A 40-year-old man walking his dog in the nude was Tasered by police when he refused to follow an officer's commands. David McCranie of the Tallahassee Police Department said an officer on patrol spotted the man shortly after 8 pm Friday.

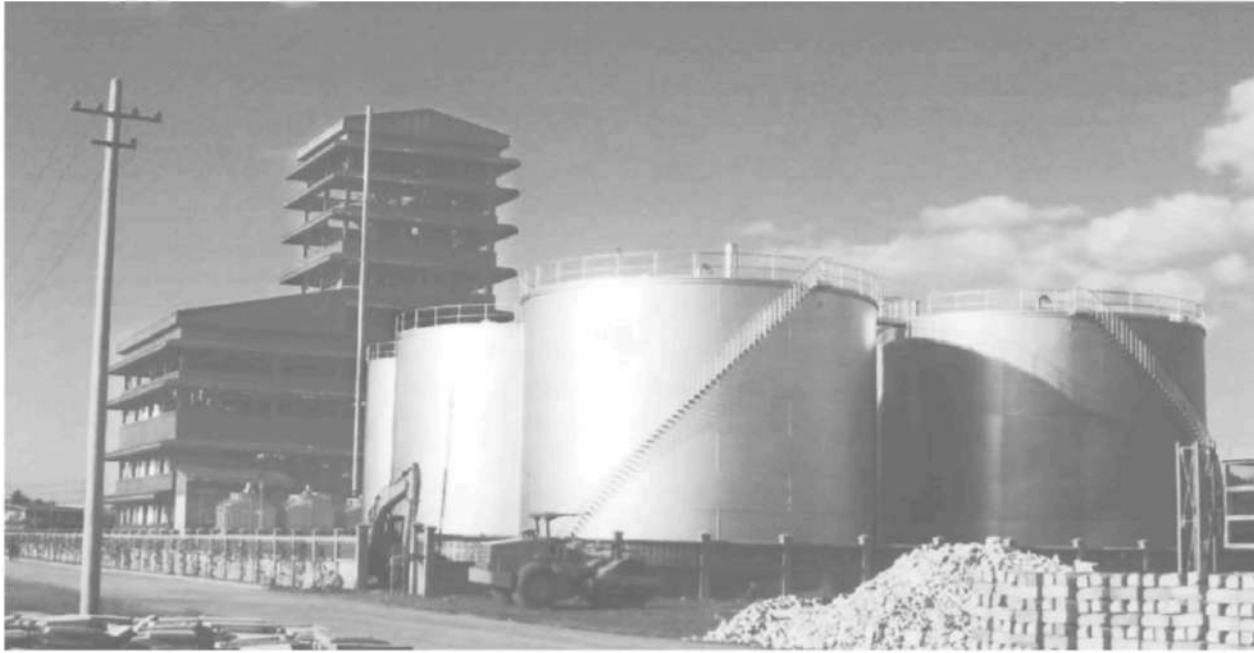
The man was asked what he was doing and told the officer, "Allah told me to watch a Bruce Willis movie and walk the dog," McCranie said. McCranie said using the Taser was the only way to subdue the man without having to hurt him. The man was then sent for mental-health evaluation and treatment.



*An endangered Great Green Macaw is seen in a captive breeding centre in Rio Segundo de Alajuela, Costa Rica. Experts are meeting this week in Costa Rica to establish a strategy for saving the rare birds, numbering around 200 in Costa Rica and 3,800 worldwide, according to the Tropical Studies Organization.*

# Grow oil palm for food sufficiency and economic growth

*Article: Maung Maung (Taninthayi); Photos: U Zaw Win (MPCE)*



*Photo shows 60-ton Crude Palm Oil Mill of Yuzana Company.*

Myanmar has favourable weather and fertile soil for extended cultivation of main crops such as paddy, beans and pulses and other crops.

The country has rice sufficiency for the present population. However, the country has to import over 200,000 tons of palm oil to supply the demand of 0.565 million tons of edible oil annually.

As such, the Head of State had given guidance to extend 500,000 acres of oil palm and to make Taninthayi Division oil pot of the State.

Taninthayi Division that is located on 10 and 11 degrees from the Equator, has a lot of vacant and virgin lands, fertile soil and favourable weather with adequate rainfalls for cultivation of oil palm.

In 1998-1999 when the oil palm cultivation plan commenced, there were 23,282 acres of oil palm plantations in the division. Most of the plantations were being undertaken by the State. Ardent efforts were made in growing oil palm on 249,171 acres of land from 2000-2001 to September 2008. Of them, companies planted oil palm on 213,199 acres of land. Among these companies, Yuzana, Annawa Tun, Po Kaung, Dagon Timber, Asia World, South Dagon, Kanbawza, Annawa Soe Moe and Aung Zin Mar companies have each grown over 5,000 acres or more of oil palm and they are enjoying the benefits from the undertaking. The companies could extend cultivation of oil palm from 20,000 to 25,000 acres of plantations yearly. Therefore, Taninthayi Division Peace and Development Council and Myanma Perennial Crops Enterprise are making arrangements for reclamation of 30,000-acre oil palm production special zones with a view to ensuring timely cultivation of 500,000 acres of oil palm.

Plans are under way to reclaim Oil Palm Special Zone-1 in Namtwan area of Khamaukkyi Township, the zone-2 in Taungpharu area of Taninthayi Township and the zone-3 in Manoeyon area of Bokpyin Township.

If the agricultural companies want to import the quality oil palm seedlings, officials concerned will provide necessary assistance for them to receive the seedlings in time. Moreover, the entrepreneurs may purchase hybrid oil palm saplings from the Applied Research Division of Myanma Perennial Crops Enterprise at reasonable prices.

New comers for the oil palm cultivation may get experiences and assistance from the companies that have been participating in the start of the oil palm cultivation plan. Moreover, technicians from Myanma Perennial Crops Enterprise will provide necessary assistance to the new entrepreneurs. The oil palm farm owners need not build the palm oil mills and they

may sell their palm oil fruit to the mills of the companies to save the investments.

Cultivation of oil palm contributes to operating of agro-based industries by producing edible oil, foodstuffs, cosmetics, soap, printing ink, candle, diesel-substitute fuel, lubricant, fuel oil, insecticides and other medicines.

By-products of the palm oil mills and parts of oil palm plants can be used and receive the investments within eight years and enjoy the profits for 30 years.

Furthermore, electricity can be generated by operating the turbines with the use of steam power from the boiler for the palm oil seeds. As a result, the palm oil mills can save the electricity as well as supply the surplus power to their surrounding areas.

By establishing oil palm plantations, the agro forests can contribute to

the environmental conservation and the emergence of favourable weather in the region.

Moreover, the cultivation of oil palm creates the job opportunities for local people, raising the individual income of the people and saving the foreign exchange. Those who invested in the oil palm cultivation special zones in Taninthayi Division can earn the income within four years and receive the investments within eight years and enjoy the profits for 30 years.

As such, national entrepreneurs should invest in undertaking the oil palm farms from the manageable scale to the commercial scale by realizing the goodwill of the government that has created the opportunity for cultivation of oil palm in the division.

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**Translation: TTA**  
*Kyemon: 27-9-2008*  
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*Thriving oil palm plantations seen in Kawthoung District of Taninthayi Division.*



# Lashio gets new bridge

NAY PYI TAW, 29 Sept—Patron of Shan State (North) Union Solidarity and Development Association Chairman of Shan State (North) Peace and Development Council Commander of North-East Command Maj-Gen Aung Than Htut, CEC member of USDA In-charge of Northern Shan State Minister for Electric Power-2 Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint attended the opening ceremony of Sintin bridge across Nanma creek near Sintion village in Lashio township constructed by Asia World Company on 27 September.

U Chit, engineer in-charge of Asia World Company explained construction works of Sintin bridge and U Sai Khin Maung Shwe, member of USDA expressed gratitude.

Next, U Maung Maung Aung, secretary of Shan State (North) PDC, U Kyaw Than, chairman of Kyaukme District PDC, and U Tun Myint Naing, executive director of Asia World Co Ltd officially opened the bridge.

The Commander unveiled the stone inscription of the bridge. With the length of 123 feet the bridge shoulders 28 feet wide motor way. The Commander and the Minister attended the opening ceremony of temporary pontoon river crossing bridge over

Dokhtawadi river between Myohaung village and Zaygon village in Hsipaw.

U Nyo Win Myint, the director of State Development Affairs Committee, explained construction works of temporary pontoon bridge and U Sai Tun, member of township USDA spoke words of thanks. Afterwards, secretary of Shan State (North) Peace and Development Council U Maung Maung Aung, director of State Development Affairs Committee, U Nyo Win Myint and U Tun Myint Naing, executive director of Asia World Co Ltd officially opened the

bridge. Next, the commander, the minister and guests looked over the bridge and viewed 60-ton vehicle crossing over the bridge. The bridge is 140 feet long, 15 metre wide and can withstand 60 tons.

The temporary bridge is aimed at contributing to swift flow of commodity and smooth transportation during the construction of new Hsipaw bridge. Next, they proceeded to charcoal factory of multi-farming central station of North-East Command where they looked into production of quality charcoal and packaging process.—MNA



USDA Secretary-General U Htay Oo views broadcasting fertilizer on 100-acre paddy field in Kungyangon Village in Taungdwingyi Township. — MNA

## 40 receive disaster preparedness skills

YANGON, 29 Sept — Course No 2/2008 on National Disaster Risk Management kicked off at Fire Services Department in Mayangon Township today.

Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Maung Maung Swe addressed the opening ceremony and the resident

representative of United Nations Development Programme extended greetings.

A total of 40 trainees are attending the 12-day course, and over 20 subjects including knowledge on disasters and preparations will be lectured during the course.

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*Minister Maj-Gen Maung Maung Swe delivers address at opening of course on Disaster Risk Management 2/2008.*

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## Objectives of the 16<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions

1. Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
2. Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
3. Keeping genuine patriotism based on national solidarity alive and dynamic
4. Turning out younger generation who will continue to safeguard the national culture and character

## USDA SG inspects farming in Magway Div

NAY PYI TAW, 29 Sept—Secretary-General U Htay Oo of Union Solidarity and Development Association inspected cotton plantation in Magway Township and paddy fields in Taungdwingyi Township on 22 September.

During his inspection tour, U Htay Oo inspected removing weeds from the cotton plantation in Latpantaw village in Magway Town and broadcasting fertilizer on the 100-acre of rain-fed Sinthwelat paddy field in Taungdwingyi

Township. Afterwards, Secretary-General U Htay Oo met with responsible personnel, townsenders and executives of Taungdwingyi Township USDA in Taungdwingyi.

MNA



## Special Appellate Bench hears cases

NAY PYI TAW, 29 Sept — The Special Appellate Bench comprising Deputy Chief Justice of Supreme Court (Mandalay) U Khin Maung Latt, Supreme Court Judges of Supreme Court (Mandalay) Dr Tin Aung Aye and U Sein Hlaing sitting at court room No 1 of the Supreme Court (Nay Pyi Taw) heard eleven Special Criminal Appeal cases under Section 7 of the Judiciary Law, 2000.—NLM







*Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo and wife Daw Khin Saw Hnin attend 59th Anniversary National Day of PRC. (News on page 1)—MNA*

## Minister visits communication stations

NAY PYI TAW, 29 Sept—Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs Brig-Gen Thein Zaw on 27 September visited auto exchange stations and mobile communication stations in Toungoo, Phyu, Kanyuntkwin, Penwega, Kyauktaga, Nyaunglaybin, Pyuntaza, DaikU, Pyinbongyi, Phayagyi and Bago in Bago Division (East). He then fulfilled the requirements for betterment of mobile communications and trunk communications along Nay Pyi Taw-Yangon road.—MNA



*Minister Brig-Gen Thein Zaw inspects Auto Exchange station in Nyaunglaybin.—MNA*

## Reproductive health education shared

YANGON, 29 Sept —A course on reproductive health education with the use of modern equipment was opened at Medical Research Department (Lower Myanmar), here this morning.

Director-General of Medical Research Department (Lower Myanmar) Dr Daw Khin Pyone Kyi spoke.

The course organized by central health education department and MRD (Lower Myanmar) was conducted with the aim of disseminating knowledge about reproductive health.

The course which lasts till 3 October is being attended by 55 trainees.

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## Fisherman swims six hours to safety

STANSBURY, 29 Sept—Two fishermen are missing and another swam six hours to safety after their boat sank off South Australia's coast.

A search is underway for the missing men in the Gulf St Vincent after their colleague was washed ashore about 2am (CST) today near Stansbury on the Yorke Peninsula.

The 33-year-old man, who told police their boat sank about 8.30pm (CST) yesterday, survived six hours in the water before being discovered by passers-by in underwear and a T-shirt.

He has been taken to hospital suffering hypothermia.

"The man stated the boat got into difficulty

about 8.30 last night," a SA Police spokesman said.

"The boat has reportedly sunk approximately six kilometres offshore from Stansbury."

Emergency services, including water police, other fishing boats and aircraft, are concentrating their search on that area.

Internet

## Pagoda maintenance work coordinated

YANGON, 29 Sept —A coordination meeting on offering gold robes and maintenance of the pagoda was held at ancient Buddha Image's Tazaung.

Patron of Leading Committee for All-round Development of Shwedagon pagoda Minister for Religious

Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung delivered a speech.

Next, Chairman of Work Committee for All-round Development of Shwedagon pagoda Deputy Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Kyaw Kyaw Tun reported on work done.

Officials of various sub-committees reported on arrangements for maintenance of the pagoda.

The minister then gave instructions and inspected scale model of Kyahmauk Kyalan of the pagoda.

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## USDA CEC member attends AGM of Shwebo District USDA

NAY PYI TAW, 29 Sept—An Annual General Meeting of Shwebo District Union Solidarity and Development Association for 2008 was held at Yangyiaung Gymnasium of Shwebo Township on 27 September.

CEC Member of the USDA Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint spoke on the occasion.

The CEC member

accepted cash donation of wellwishers for AGM and presented the certificates of honour to them.

The CEC member presented prizes to recipients of excellent performance in social field, officials for the best pass rate of matriculation in the Division and the outstanding students, athletes and volunteers who rendered assistance in health care services in the storm-hit areas.

The CEC member attended the opening ceremony of Bezagon Bridge and sprinkled scented water on the commemorative stone inscription.

CEC Member of the USDA Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint inspected Bezagon Basic Education Primary School and present cash assistance to the teachers and 25 bags of cement to the school.

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*Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint presents prize to a six-distinction winner in Shwebo District USDA AGM (2008).—MNA*

## In fear that the nation will lose its future

To the best of my knowledge, **democracy is a system based on the people's desire. It is because in a country, the people represent the majority of the population. The force vested with the power of making a decision in a democratic way depicts the people. Therefore, it is required to respect the people's decisions and desire.**

I was satisfied with the discussions about the three sorts of people's desire the leader of the Spokes Authoritative Team of the State Peace and Development Council the Minister for Information held in meeting with Mr Gambari during the latter's recent visit to Myanmar. I believed the talks represented the desire of the people.

If we ask each citizen what their strongest desire is, the answers will be various and different, such as to lead a life of luxury with a beautiful house and car; to be rich; and to be well-known. If various sorts of their desires are classified in general, the categories of their desires will support the three forms of people's desires the Minister discussed. Actually, the three points thoroughly cover all forms of people's desire.

Regarding the first point, we all favour peace and stability. None of us accept instability and terrorist acts that can destabilize the nation. The people have gone through the hell of internal armed strife, internal armed conflicts, protests, riots and have been in a state of panic many times. They are worried that they may face again armed conflicts, riots and anarchic acts without stability and peace that took place in the course of the nation's history. Frankly speaking, they are in great fear that they may experience such untold miseries. They are also frightened at the slightest comments about the "88" unrest. They just want to live a stable and peaceful life. Now, the people have enjoyed the fruits of stability and peace at the unprecedented level, and are pleased with that. In such a situation, any forms of attempts to disrupt already-achieved stability and peace and to destabilize the country are absolutely unacceptable to them. That is the real desire of the people.

In relation to the second point, every citizen favours a situation in which their country and the people are enjoying development. Every citizen by nature wants greater development of their motherland than any other foreign country. And every citizen wants to witness and take pride that the people enjoy the taste of development and affluence more than any other people. Likewise, every citizen wants to enjoy better social-economic life. Therefore, it is ap-

parent that all the people except anti-government axe-handles want to see development of their country, and to improve the living standard of each and every citizen is really the people's desire.

In retrospect, after regaining independence, the nation passed two periods—the parliamentary democracy, and Myanmar Socialist Programme Party. In the parliamentary democracy period, many parties split into factions, and internal multi-coloured armed groups rose against the nation, and anarchic acts erupted. In consequence, the nation lacked stability and peace. Development tasks in the economic, social and education sectors could not be carried out effectively due to lack of stability and peace. The majority of the people were in dire poverty and in a state of panic due to internal armed insurgency. Thus, the people never again want to experience such painful memories.

In the time of the Myanmar Socialist Programme Party, political situations showed improvement to a certain degree. However, internal armed insurgency

### *Kyaw Min Lu (Shwe Pyi Tha)*

could not be wiped out yet. So, stability and peace could not be restored due to the armed strife, and the people were not in a position to expect national development. The people were impoverished and had to pass through real hard times. In fact, 40 years from 1948 to 1988 was long enough for the nation to enjoy stability and peace if the people worked hard. However, there was no sign of national development.

After 1988, the ruling government managed to restore stability and peace and enhance development in the political, economic, social, education, health, and transport sectors. It was the Tatmadaw government that managed to make peace with national race armed groups. Therefore, now the people have enjoyed the taste of stability, peace and progress. With stability and peace, the nation is on the track toward development. So, the people are now enjoying better living conditions. So, the people's desire represents the interests of the entire people.

With respect to the third point, each citizen wants to enjoy the right to do things freely in accordance with the law. The people expect a peaceful life and better living conditions, after choosing the job opportunities that are created in the framework of the law. Every citizen will try to improve their living con-

ditions in accordance with the market economy. There have been many opportunities, and no one has ill-intention to violate the law. They are keen on working hard freely under the protection of the law to achieve maximum success. The people are looking forward to sooner achievement of the democracy goal, while expressing their wholehearted support for the government's political work programmes. That is why the people today have remained indifferent and stood firmly on the side of national concerns however much anti-government elements are trying to arouse the emotional feelings of the people.

As far as I am concerned, the three sorts of people's desire reflect the real desire of the people. Now, the government is taking measures to fulfil the three desires of the people. What the government is doing is known to the people, so I do not want to present all facts. Overall, **the people believe and support that the government is capable of restoring stability and peace, and ensuring development of the nation and the people, and transforming the nation into democracy, as aspired by the people. The people are working in concert under the leadership of the government to achieve the common goal. That is evidenced by the fact that in the previous referendum, the State constitution (draft) was adopted with the approval of 92.48 per cent of the voters.**

Our country's ultimate aim is to build a peaceful, modern, developed and discipline-flourishing democratic nation. The word 'peaceful' represents the people's desire (1) while 'modern and developed' indicates the people's desire (2). Likewise, the phrase 'building a discipline-flourishing democratic nation' reflects the people's desire (3). It can be said that our final goal is to realize the three people's desires. It is clear that what the government is doing to shape a bright future of the State in accord with the seven-step Road Map is the wishes of the people.

While the seven-step Road Map is reaching its fifth step, the wishes and decision of the people are becoming more and more important. **Anti-government groups on their part need to follow the people's decision regardless of whether they like it or not. Only then, will it be democratic.** The public approval of the constitution in the fourth step means that all the people have supported the seven-step Road Map. In other words, the people have opened up the way to democracy for all. Here, 'for all' means the government, the people and Tatmadaw as well as the anti-government groups. Myanmar's new constitution is the concern of all the people including those supporting and those opposing.

Now it is opportune time for national forces that have to march towards the goal of democracy to build national reconsolidation or to reach the true path of national politics. So it is important for the anti-government elements to grab the good opportunity created by the people if they value the people's wishes.

Today, we no longer need to argue who is right and who is wrong. It is not the time either to try to make sure one's own party comes into power. It is no longer necessary to stick to the outdated 1990 election results.

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**We should not forget the fact that Myanmar is on its way to the goal of democracy as wished by the entire people while building development infrastructures without harming peace and stability. The way in which the future of the State is decided by the people in the 2010 election is the most appropriate. If we do what we want regardless of what the people say, we will go round in circles.**



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To have the last word, it is not the time to say that the democratically-approved constitution cannot be accepted and recognized by declining the people's wishes. It is only needed to know the time and circumstance.

If I say, **both the government and the people aspire to democracy. Likewise, the anti-government groups once repeatedly said that they wanted democracy. So it can be said that we have the same want or the same goal. If so, why can't we march together to reach the same goal? Why not accept to march together? Unity is a success. The anti-government groups should notice this point.**

Today, the State has been in a position to enjoy fruits of development. As I have said, with these fruitful results, it is necessary to redouble our efforts to keep abreast of others rising from the dire situation in which the country lacked development for 40 years due to the irresponsibility. Thinking highly of oneself or one's own party can lead to undermining the people's dream. No one will accept it. Anyhow, it is required to value the people's wishes.

It is known to all that nowadays, most nations are working very hard for their development. Really, they have developed. Many Asian tigers have emerged. So the time has come for us to endeavour for our future. Without arguing each other, we will have to work together so as to catch up with others. But if we waste our time arguing, opposing and instigating, I am worried that our country will have a dim future.

We should not forget the fact that Myanmar is on its way to the goal of democracy as wished by the entire people while building development infrastructures without harming peace and stability. The way in which the future of the State is decided by the people in the 2010 election is the most appropriate. If we do what we want regardless of what the people say, we will go round in circles. Employing wicked ways and unnecessarily arguing in order to jeopardize peace and stability may lead the people to live in a state of chaos, instability and fear. It can also lead the people to live again in poverty. If so, we can say 'it serves you right'. The people in no way want to go into the previous situation.

**If we follow the desire of the people, the road ahead can be reached through a bed of roses. I wonder that parties are formed; the existing parties get prepared to put things right; they canvass for votes by expressing their stance and policies; they run for the multi-party democracy general election to be held in 2010; if elected, Hluttaw representatives emerge; and depending on the public votes, own parties and organizations will be able to stand tall. In my opinion, it will be better if the above-mentioned things are done.**

In brief, I have mentioned the true desires of the people. I have also said it is necessary to value the desire and decision of the people who have made true democratic practice. I have suggested that today's ideologies should be in accord with the people's desire. Anyway, in doing politics, everything will be alright if we give the first priority to the State and the people and the second priority to own party or group. As far as I am concerned, I don't want the people's hopes diminish. I want the people's dream to come true. It is because among the people are you and me as well as the anti-government groups. Serving others' interest will help us answer our own wishes.

Whatever it is, I am in fear that the nation will lose its future.

**Translation: MS + ST**

## The wise one dispels intoxication through non-intoxication

When the wise one dispels intoxication through non-intoxication, he having ascended the tower of wisdom —being himself free from sorrow and being himself wise—looks at the sorrowing people and the unwise as one, standing on a mountain, views those on the plains.

**Dhammapada-28**

## Students get gifts at USDA AGM

YANGON, 29 Sept — An extempore talk on English Language organized by Taninthayi Division Union Solidarity and Development Association was held at No. 1 Basic Education High School in Myeik on 27 September.

Patron of Taninthayi Division USDA Chairman of Taninthayi Division

Peace and Development Council Commander of Coastal Region Command Maj-Gen Khin Zaw Oo and CEC member of USDA Taninthayi Division in-charge Minister for Livestock and Fisheries Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein delivered speeches. They observed the extempore talk of students of

universities, colleges and basic education schools.

The annual general meeting of Taninthayi Division USDA was held at its office yesterday. Commander Maj-Gen Khin Zaw Oo and Minister Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein spoke on the occasion.

Next, the commander and officials presented

prizes to outstanding students who passed the 2008 matriculation examination, schools which got the best pass rate and winners of the extempore talk and essay competitions.

The commander and the minister attended the work coordination meeting on boosting production of marine products.—MNA

## CI sheets for storm victims

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**Indian Ambassador Mr. Bhaskar Kumar Mitra hands over CI sheets to Maj-Gen Maung Maung Swe.**  
MNA



YANGON, 29 Sept— The Republic of India donated CI sheets to be used in reconstruction works in storm-hit regions at a ceremony held at Myanmar International Thilawa Terminal today.

Present on the occasion were Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Maung Maung Swe, Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Myint, Deputy Minister for Construction Brig-Gen Myint Thein, Director-General of Fire Services Department U Myint Tun, Director-General of Relief and Resettlement Department U Than Oo, and departmental officials, Indian Ambassador to the Union of Myanmar Mr Bhaskar Kumar Mitra and staff of the embassy.

The Indian Ambassador handed over about 500,000 CI sheets to the minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement. The donation of India today is US\$1.61 million worth 500,000 million CI sheets in 52 containers weighing 1020.830 tons.

MNA

## Get-together of IAHVS (Insein) old students

YANGON, 29 Sept— A ceremony to pay respects to teachers by old students of the Institute of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Science (Insein) who were at the institute from 1972 to 1978 will be held in conjunction with a get-together at M3 Food Centre in Bahan

Township on 9 November 2008. All the old students are requested to attend the ceremony, and to contact Dr Sein Myint (Tel 0950 08115, 642745), Dr Set Bo (Tel 0950 64972), Dr Soe Than (Tel 503834, 0951 57592), Dr Tint Swe (Tel 0950 21239, 518392), Dr Cho Cho Aye (Tel 541152, 388213), Dr Khin

Malar Soe (Tel 0951 07681, 393368), Dr Ma Tin Yi (Tel 0951 77378, 224444), Dr Khin Linn Thu (Tel 0950 38940, 215899), Dr Khin Zaw (Tel 02 22190, 0920 06872) and Dr Win Myint (Tel 0950 38942) for contributions and address books not later than 2 November 2008.—NLM

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ROAD TRANSPORT, YANGON DIVISION  
INVITATION TO TENDER**

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 (c) 10.00 x 20 ( 200) Sets
2. (a) Tender Documents are available at the office of Procurement & Stores Department, Yangon Division, Road Transport, No.375, Bogyoke Aung San Street, Yangon, Myanmar. Commencing on the 1-10-2008.  
 (b) Tender will be closed on 7-10-2008 at (16:00) hours (The Road Transport reserves the right to reject any or all tenders)
3. Detailed information will be available at the office of the Procurement & Stores Department, Road Transport (Yangon Division)

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**Drive with care**



*Policemen inspect a burnt vehicle at the site of a bomb attack in Baghdad's Karrada district, on 29 Sept, 2008.—INTERNET*

**New watchdog to keep children safe online**

LONDON, 29 Sept—A new government body was launched on Monday aimed at protecting children when they use the Internet.

The UK Council for Child Internet Safety will police the web for children, tackle issues such as online bullying and order that websites considered harmful be taken down.

It also plans to develop a voluntary code of conduct for websites.

The council, which will report directly to the prime minister, was set up in response to a report by psychologist Tanya Byron earlier this year into how young people and families can make the most of the Internet while protecting children's safety online.—*Internet*

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**Death toll rises to 29 in north China landslide**

T AIYUAN, 29 Sept—The death toll from a landslide in north China's Shanxi Province has risen to 29 as rescuers found seven more bodies on Sunday.

The people could not been identified at the site because they had been buried for nearly two months.

A landslide toppled a waste dump from a local iron mine on August 1, burying Sigou Village in Loufan County in the suburbs of the provincial capital Taiyuan.

At least 16 people remain missing.

About 6,500 rescuers with digging equipment had been searching for the missing for days, according to Jing Dekui, deputy head of the county.

*MNA/Xinhua*

**Toyota says curbing production in China**

TOKYO, 29 Sept—Japan's Toyota Motor Corp. is curbing production in China as sales slow in the once-booming market, a company spokesman said Monday.

"As sales growth has become slower than we projected earlier, we are adjusting output," Toyota spokesman Toshiaki Hori said, without disclosing the extent of the production cutbacks.

The Nikkei economic daily reported that Toyota plans a 10-percent cut in production at its joint venture in China with Guangzhou Automobile because demand is falling due to tighter credit and falling share prices.

The auto giant has already curbed production of its Yaris small passenger car, the daily said without naming its sources. The Guangdong plant, which produces Camry and Yaris cars, has an annual output capacity of 200,000 vehicles a year.—*Internet*

**Up to 7 stabbed in NYC nightclub fight, two critical**

NEW YORK, 29 Sept—Police say as many as seven men were stabbed during a quarrel at a nightclub in New York City. Two are in critical condition.

The bloody fight erupted around 4 am Sunday inside the Tahona club in the Queen's neighborhood of Astoria. Police are trying to determine the exact number of victims — from five to seven. Two of them are in critical condition at Elmhurst Hospital.

The Tahona is a flashy club with state-of-the-art sound, video and lighting, featuring live bands and a big dance floor.—*Internet*

**Afghan warlord Hekmatyar claims French ambush**

KABUL, 29 Sept—Afghan insurgent leader Gulbuddin Hekmatyar has claimed responsibility in a video message for an August ambush that killed 10 French soldiers, an Afghan news agency reported on Monday, saying it had seen the footage.

In the video statement, Hekmatyar also says he lost 10 men in the battle in Sarobi, the independent *Pajhwok Afghan News* agency says.

The insurgent Taliban

movement, which has unclear links with Hekmatyar's faction, has also claimed responsibility for the attack, which was the deadliest for the French military in 25 years. Pajhwok told *AFP* that the video was delivered to its office in Peshawar in Pakistan.

He warns of "more guerrilla assaults on US forces besides the French soldiers," the agency says in a report on its website. And he also called on "anti-foreign forces" to

stop using mobile and satellite phones during the fighting.

The mountain ambush in Sarobi, west of Kabul, was the deadliest ground attack on international troops since they were sent to Afghanistan in 2001 to oust the hardline Taliban regime.

The attack, in which 21 troops were also wounded, shocked France and sparked debate about the country's involvement in war-torn Afghanistan.

*Internet*



## Malware poses threat to mobile phones

LOS ANGELES, 29 Sept — Security experts have so far identified about 500 viruses or other types of malware or security vulnerabilities that target mobile phones, a newspaper report said on Sunday. Phones are indeed vulnerable to the same types of security threats from malware that face PCs, the San Jose Mercury News reported.

“The more that phones can perform the same functions as PCs, the greater the chance they will have similar

vulnerabilities,” the paper said.

Perhaps the best known handset virus is Com-mwarrior-A, a piece of malware identified in 2005 that spread to phones using the then-current version of the Symbian operating system via text messages, according to the report.

The number of pieces of mobile malware detected since then has grown steadily, said the paper. Security experts worry hackers could soon use the GPS feature built

into many phones to track the location of their owners.

A new generation of spyware dubbed “snoopware” could eventually be used to turn on the microphone or camera on a phone, allowing a hacker to listen in on phone owners’ conversations or see their surroundings, the paper said. The overall threat of mobile malware is growing in part because smart-phones are becoming more widespread, said the paper. —*Internet*



A file photo shows student uses English-learning software on a Nintendo DS during a media event at Tokyo Girls Junior High School in Tokyo.

INTERNET



A file photo shows sea taxi on the Bosphorus Sea in Istanbul where the water-borne transport system is proving a big hit, especially with the city's upper classes.—INTERNET

## SpaceX launches 1st commercial rocket into orbit

LOS ANGELES, 29 Sept—An Internet entrepreneur’s latest effort to make space launch more affordable paid off Sunday when his commercial rocket, carrying a dummy payload, was lofted into orbit from the South Pacific.

It was the fourth attempt by Space Exploration Technologies, or SpaceX, to launch its two-stage Falcon 1 rocket into orbit.

“Fourth time’s a charm,” said Elon Musk, the multimillionaire who started up SpaceX after making his fortune as the co-founder of PayPal Inc., the electronic payment system.

The rocket carried a 364-pound dummy payload designed and built by SpaceX for the launch.

“This really means a lot,” Musk told a crowd of whooping employees. “There’s only a handful of countries on Earth that have done this. It’s usually a country thing, not a company thing. We did it.”

Musk pledged to continue getting rockets into orbit, saying the

company has resolved design issues that plagued previous attempts.

Last month, SpaceX lost three government satellites and human ashes including the remains of astronaut Gordon Cooper and “Star Trek” actor James Doohan after its third rocket was lost en route to space.

The company blamed a timing error for the failure that caused the rocket’s first stage to bump into the second stage after separation.

Internet



## New software turns PC into TiVo TV recorder

NEW YORK, 29 Sept—TiVo Inc and Nero AG of Germany were set to announce Monday that they will be launching a package that turns a Windows PC into a TV recorder, just like a TiVo set-top box.

The kit will cost \$199 when it goes on sale 15 Oct, and includes a remote and a TV tuner that plugs into the PC. The interface on the computer screen looks just like the one on a TV equipped with a TiVo box.

It’s not the first software that allows TV recording on the PC. That’s been possible for years on computers equipped with TV tuners, and some versions of Microsoft Corp’s Windows Vista operating system include the necessary software.

But it will be the first time that both the TiVo interface and functions have been replicated on a PC. The Nero LiquidTV/TiVo PC will go on sale initially in the US, Mexico and Canada, but it could open up some markets where TiVo does not yet sell its set-top boxes. —*Internet*

## Drinking in early pregnancy tied to cleft lip

BEIJING, 29 Sept — Women who binge drink in the first three months of pregnancy have an increased risk of having infants with cleft lip and cleft palate, according to findings in the *American*

*Journal of Epidemiology*.

“Some evidence exists that women who drink alcohol during pregnancy are more likely than nondrinkers to have infants with facial clefts,” Dr Lisa A DeRoo and colleagues write, “but summarizing previous findings is hampered by different categories of drinks and time points of reference across studies.”

DeRoo, with the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences in Durham,

North Carolina, and colleagues investigated this topic in a study involving infants with oral clefts born between 1996 and 2001 in Norway. A total of 377 infants with cleft lip with or without cleft palate, 196 with cleft palate only, and 763 unaffected subjects were included in the study.

Mothers completed questionnaires within a few months after delivery regarding alcohol use during the first trimester.

Internet

## Hornets kill two farmers, injure three in south China

GUILIN, 29 Sept — Two villagers were stung to death and three others injured by hornets after stirring up a nest in south China’s Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region.

Five farmers from

Matijing village, Pingle County, tried to dismantle a hornet nest on a 4-meter-high tree on 21 Sept.

They chopped down branches and planned to climb up the tree to remove the nest but one of them accidentally hit it provoking the hornets.

Two people collapsed after being attacked. Three others managed to run back to the village, said Wang, who was one of the farmers, still covered with red spots. He was being treated at Guilin Municipal Traditional Chinese Medicine Hospital along with two others who are in serious condition.

One person died on the 22nd, the other on Saturday.

Xinhua

Decorative flower

beds featuring the

fuwa, the Beijing

Olympics mascots, are

colouring

Tian’anmen Square

before the National

Day holiday in

Beijing, recently

INTERNET

## SPORTS

### Tsonga stuns Djokovic to win Thailand Open



**Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (right) of France and Novak Djokovic of Serbia pose with their trophies after the ATP Thailand Open in Bangkok. Tsonga won 7-6, (7/4), 6-4.—INTERNET**

BANGKOK, 29 Sept — Jo-Wilfried Tsonga stunned Novak Djokovic to win the Thailand Open on Sunday and help erase his loss to the Serbian in the final of this year's Australian Open.

Tsonga, ranked 20 in the world, fell to his knees after the 7-6 (7/4), 6-4 victory against the world number three in only his second tournament back at the top after missing three months from knee surgery.

The win, in only his second career final, was sweet revenge for the Frenchman after he lost the Grand Slam final eight months ago to the Serbian.

But he admitted that he originally didn't fancy his chances.

The defeat was the 14th of the season for Djokovic against 58 wins and left the 21-year-old 10-6 in career finals.

Djokovic, who finally cleared his jet-lag after last weekend's Davis Cup in Europe, will take a few days off at the Thai resort island of Koh Samui, avoiding the standard tennis pattern of rushing to the airport after the final.—*Internet*

### British football clubs out to impress after opening stalemates

PARIS, 29 Sept — Arsenal, embarrassed by newly-promoted Hull City in the Premier League at the weekend, are out to put that rare reverse to their impressive start to the season behind them against FC Porto on Tuesday.

The Gunners, beaten finalists in 2006, needed a late William Gallas equaliser to eke out an unconvincing 1-1 draw against Dynamo Kiev in their Group G opener. Their Portuguese guests have an unhappy record against English clubs, losing in each of their last four Champions League campaigns.

But the 2004 winners turn up at the Emirates Stadium on a high after a 3-1 home success over Turkish giants Fenerbahce a fortnight ago.

Arsenal manager Arsene Wenger has warned his highly-skilled but largely-inexperienced side will struggle to win on foreign fields, making this home fixture a must-win affair.

With trips to Fenerbahce and Porto still to come, Wenger believes this is the hardest group he has faced in 12 years with Arsenal.—*Internet*

### Ronaldinho fires Milan to derby victory

ROME, 29 Sept — Ronaldinho scored his first goal in Italian football to give AC Milan a vital 1-0 victory over Inter Milan in a pulsating city derby at the San Siro on Sunday.

Inter Milan had two players sent off -- although Marco Materazzi was dismissed after he'd been substituted -- as Jose Mourinho tasted defeat as Inter coach for the first time.

It means that despite losing their first two matches, Milan are right back up in the thick of the title race having won their next three in a row.

Ronaldinho dedicated his goal to the Milan fans and club president -- and Italy prime minister -- Silvio Berlusconi, who celebrates his 72nd birthday on Monday. "I'm very happy, I was hoping to score a goal. This one is for the fans who've made me feel at home," said the Brazilian.

"It's a moment of great happiness, I know tomorrow is president Berlusconi's birthday, this goal is for him."

Previous leaders Inter drop down to fourth with the loss as the Serie A table takes on an unfamiliar look.

*Internet*



**AS Roma's John Arne Riise shoots against Atalanta during a Serie A football match at the Olympics Stadium in Rome. AS Roma coasted to a 2-0 home success over Atalanta.—INTERNET**

### Roddick, Jankovic win China tennis Open titles

BEIJING, 29 Sept — Andy Roddick held off a fierce challenge from Israeli underdog Dudi Sela to win the China Open final Sunday as top seed Jelena Jankovic sealed the women's title with a thumping win.

Big-serving Roddick, the second seed in the Beijing tournament, overcame 92-ranked Sela 6-4, 6-7 (6-8), 6-3 while Jankovic defeated Svetlana Kuznetsova in straight sets.

In the women's final, top seed and 2007 runner-up Jankovic beat Russia's Kuznetsova, the 2006 winner, 6-3, 6-2 in one hour, 14 minutes.

**Serbia's Jelena Jankovic holds the champion trophy during the awarding ceremony for the women's singles final at the 2008 China Open tennis tournament in Beijing, capital of China, on 28 Sept, 2008.**

**Jankovic beat Russia's Svetlana Kuznetsova 2-0 and claimed the title.—XINHUA**



### Valencia top Spanish football league, Sevilla take Atletico scalp

MADRID, 29 Sept — David Villa's hot streak in front of goal continued with two goals as Valencia returned to the top of the Spanish first division after a 4-2 home win over Deportivo La Coruna on Sunday.



Valencia, league champions in 2002 and 2004, knocked Villarreal off the summit on goal difference as they continued their unbeaten start to the season under new coach Unai Emery.

"We are getting over the problems of last season (when they finished 10th) and today we showed what we are capable of," said Emery.—*Internet*



**Denmark's Caroline Wozniacki (L) and Spain's Anabel Medina Garrigues hold the champion trophy during the awarding ceremony for the women's doubles final at the 2008 China Open tennis tournament in Beijing, capital of China, on 28 Sept, 2008. Wozniacki and Garrigues beat Chinese pair Han Xinyun and Xu Yifan 2-0 and claimed the title.—XINHUA**

### Vijay Singh wins FedEx Cup and \$10 million prize

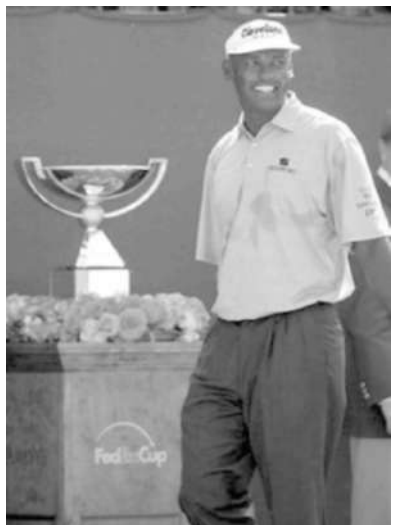
ATLANTA, 29 Sept — Vijay Singh has won the FedEx Cup, finishing four rounds at the Tour Championship to clinch the PGA Tour's points race and earn a \$10 million bonus.

Singh won the first two playoff events, building such a large lead that no one could catch him at East Lake unless the 45-year-old Fijian withdrew or was disqualified. He closed with an even-par 70 and finished at 9-over 289 for the tournament, far behind the leaders.

*Internet*

**Vijay Singh walks past the Fed Ex Cup before teeing off to start the final round of The Tour Championship PGA golf tournament on 28 Sept, 2008, in Atlanta. Singh leads in the Fed Ex Cup Standings.**

INTERNET





## Flood hits south China city, affecting 13,000 people

NANNING, 29 Sept— Torrential rains since Thursday caused swelling of local rivers and led to flood which flooded part of the urban zones of Chongzuo City in south China's Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, with more than 13,000 people affected.

Seven of the eight streets in the old city zones were flooded with water level as high as five metres. Most of the first and second floors of residential buildings were also inundated, according to Chongzuo City Flood Control and Drought Relief Headquarters. The water level of the major Zuojiang River in Chongzuo was 107.52 metres. That's more than 6.32 metres higher than the danger level. A Xinhua reporter on the scene said people were floating in tires and large buckets in Lijiang Road. Plastic

bottles, bags and garbage were seen floating in the three-metre-deep water. Shops were closed along the street.

The first floor of the city's hospital out-patient building was submerged. Several boats were transferring medical staff and patients to the emergency care building and in-patient building, which were safe at the moment.

More than 200 soldiers and 300 militia rescued more than 1,200 residents using boats on Sunday, said Li Yatong, deputy chief of general staff of Guangxi Military Area Command of the People's Liberation Army.

The Guangxi autonomous regional government have sent life jackets, rescue boats, tents, drinking water and food to Chongzuo.

MNA/Xinhua

**A cameraman films the 3,000-year-old red granite head believed to be that of Ramses II, one of ancient Egypt's most powerful pharaohs, near the site where it was discovered in Tell Basta, 80 km (50 miles) northeast of Cairo, on 27, Sept, 2008. Archaeologists are continuing to dig around the site in hopes of finding the rest of the statue and possible remains of a temple built by Ramses, Zahi Hawass, the head of Egypt's Supreme Council of Antiquities, said in a statement.**

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**Tuesday, 30 September**  
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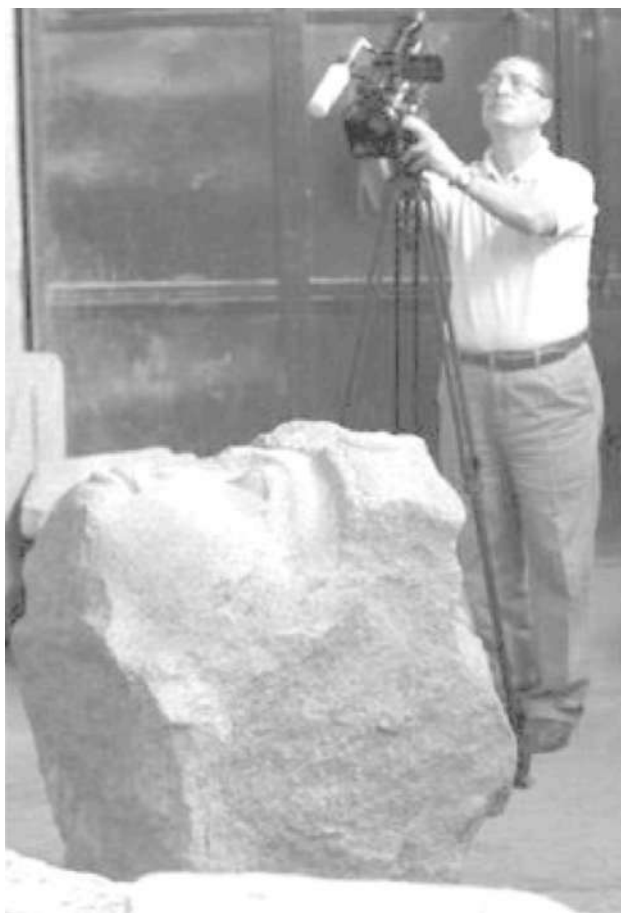
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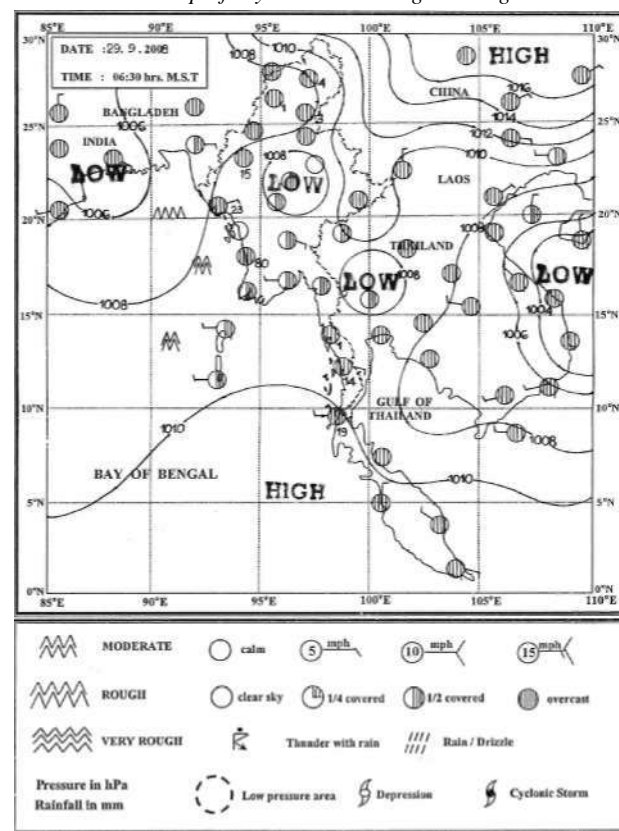
TOKYO, 29 Sept— Japanese Prime Minister Taro Aso on Sunday appointed Kazuyoshi Kaneko, former state minister in charge of administrative reform, to succeed Nariaki Nakayama as Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Minister.

Earlier Sunday, newly-appointed Transport Minister Nariaki Nakayama handed in his resignation due to verbal blunders only four days after his appointment in the Cabinet of Prime Minister Taro Aso, who assumed the premiership and announced the lineup Wednesday. During media interviews following his appointment, Nakayama made a series of controversial remarks, calling Japan an "ethnically homogenous" nation, which drew bitter criticism from both ruling and opposition parties as well as the indigenous Ainu people.

MNA/Xinhua



Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



### WEATHER

**Monday, 29 September, 2008**

**Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST:**

During the past 24 hours, Southwest monsoon has withdrawn from Deltaic areas. Weather has been partly cloudy in Kayah and Kayin States, lower Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Shan State, Magway, Bago, Yangon and Ayeyawady Divisions, scattered in Kachin and Mon States, upper Sagaing Division and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with isolated heavyfalls in Rakhine and Mon States. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Kyeikkhame (4.37) inches, Thandwe (3.15) inches, Mawlaik (2.08) inches, Falam (1.89) inches, Maungtau (1.81) inches and Hakha (1.77) inches.

Maximum temperature on 28-9-2008 was 92 F. Minimum temperature on 29-9-2008 was 71°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 29-9-2008 was 74%. Total sunshine hours on 28-9-2008 was (9.0) hours approx.

Rainfall on 29-9-2008 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, (Nil) at Kaba-Aye and (Nil) at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2008 was (96.38) inches at Mingaladon, (108.42) inches at Kaba-Aye and (125.98) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (5) mph from Southwest at (17:30) hours MST on 28-9-2008.

**Bay inference:** Monsoon is weak in the Andaman Sea and South Bay and weather is partly cloudy elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

**Forecast valid until evening of 30-9-2008:** Rain or thundershowers will be fairly widespread in Rakhine State, upper Sagaing and Taninthayi Divisions, scattered in Kachin and Shan States, Bago, Yangon and Ayeyawady Divisions and isolated in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

**Outlook for subsequent two days:** Continuation of decrease of rain in the Deltaic areas.

**Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 30-9-2008:** Possibility of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (40%).

**Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 30-9-2008:** Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

**Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 30-9-2008:** Possibility of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (40%).

**4:00 pm**

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2. Song of yesteryears

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## Better transport service for Shan State under way now



**Maj-Gen Min Aung Hlaing inspects 5-acre tea plantation of Amawde Village in Kengtung Township.—MNA**

NAY PYI TAW, 29 Sept—Maj-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence, accompanied by Chairman of Shan State (East) Peace and Development Council Brig-Gen Kyaw Phyo and officials, viewed thriving physic-nut plantations in Monghsat, condition of Monghsat-Mongkhut road-section and People's Hospital on 28 September.

Maj-Gen Min Aung Hlaing met servicemen, departmental officials, members of social organization, townsenders at Mongkhut Station and presented sports equipment and supplies to them.

Next, Maj-Gen Min Aung Hlaing, the Commander and party inspected the road-section and paving of gravel road along Mongkhut-Kengtung Road.

Maj-Gen Min Aung Hlaing heard reports on construction of Kengtung-Mongkhun-Mongkhut Road by Shan State (East) superintending engineer U Thaung Htay and officials of Asia World Co Ltd.

Maj-Gen Min Aung Hlaing looked into extension of road between Mile Post No. 35 and 36 with the use of heavy machinery, 5-acre tea plantation in Amawde Village in Kengtung Township, paving at 19<sup>th</sup> mile post by using cement and stones mixture. He also inspected thriving 110-acre physic-nut plantations near Mengkong village of Kengtung.

MNA

## Real Madrid eye January move for Liverpool's Agger

MADRID, 29 Sept—La Liga Champions Real Madrid are reportedly interested in signing Danish International Daniel Agger from Liverpool in the January transfer window, according to Spanish paper Sport.

23-year-old Agger joined the Reds in 2006 from Brondby and his present deal with Rafa Benitez's side runs out in 2010, with it understood that the defender is growing frustrated at the lack of first-team opportunities at the Premiership club.

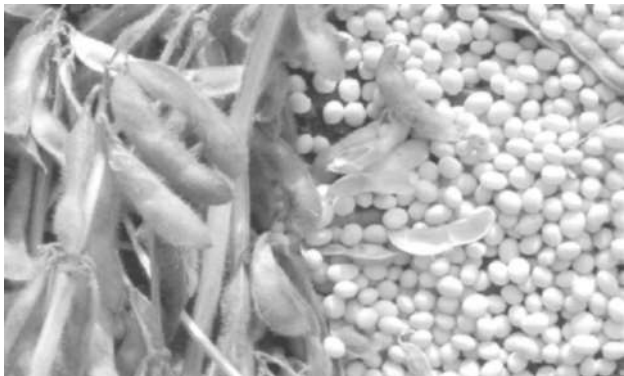
Benitez has chosen to play Jamie Carragher and Martin Skrtel ahead of the Dane this season

in the Premier League, with reports of the defender's unrest at Anfield alerting Los Merengues coach Bernd Schuster, who is seeking a new centre-half for the Bernabeu.

Internet



## Soy may benefit stroke patients



HONGKONG, 29 Sept—The University of Hong Kong team say the treatment effect of the chemical, isoflavone, is comparable to that of cholesterol-busting statin drugs. The European Heart Journal study showed isoflavone helped improve blood flow through the arteries. Previous research has suggested that

eating soy may help prevent breast and prostate cancer and lower cholesterol. Soya isoflavones in particular have been shown to reduce cardiovascular disease risk as they inhibit the growth of cells that form artery-clogging plaque. All of the 102 patients in the latest trial had suffered a first or recurrent ischemic stroke - caused by a blood clot - in the previous six months and had established heart disease. The patients were split into two groups, with one receiving a 12-week course of isoflavone as an 80mg daily dietary supplement, and the other given a dummy pill or placebo. The scientists measured the way the brachial artery - the main artery of the arm - dilated in response to an increase in blood flow. This measurement, the flow-mediated dilatation (FMD), is an indicator of the functioning of the cells that line the inner surfaces of blood vessels - the endothelium - which are implicated in cardiovascular disease.

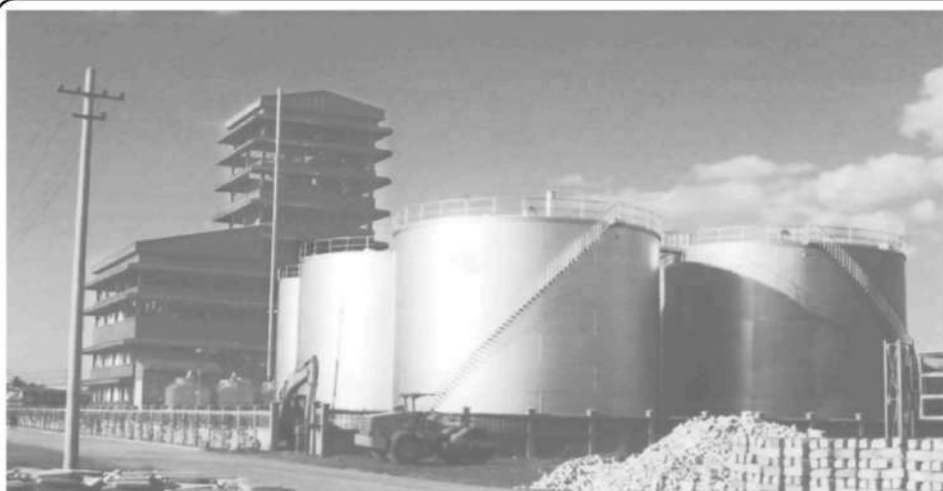
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## Arsenal's Fabregas: Walcott will be world's best

ARSENAL, 29 Sept—Spanish International

Cesc Fabregas believes that Arsenal team-mate Theo Walcott can become one of the best players in the world if he fulfils his potential at the Emirates Stadium.

19-year-old Walcott joined the Gunners in 2006 from Southampton, but has only just started to shine in the Premier League and on the International stage, with the striker scoring a hat-trick in England's 4-1 away win in Croatia in a vital World Cup qualifier earlier this month.—Internet



ARTICLE: MAUNG MAUNG (TANINTHAYI); PHOTOS: U ZAW WIN (MPCE)

**Grow oil palm for food sufficiency and economic growth**

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