

## Senior General Than Shwe receives PLA Deputy Chief of General Staff

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Oct – Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe received the visiting Chinese delegation led by Deputy Chief of General Staff General Zhang Li of Chinese People's Liberation Army at Bayintnaung Yeiktha, here, at 1 p.m today.

Present at the call together with the Senior General were 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, Member of the State Peace and Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann of the Ministry of Defence, Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Rear-Admiral Nyan Tun, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Myat Hein, Military Affairs Security Chief Lt-Gen Ye Myint, Vice-Chief of Armed Forces Training Maj-Gen Zaw Win and Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Maung Myint. Together with Deputy Chief of General Staff General Zhang Li and delegation members were Ambassador of the People's Republic of China to Myanmar Mr Guan Mu and Military Attache' Senior Colonel Fan Lianfeng.

MNA

*Senior General Than Shwe cordially greets Deputy Chief of General Staff General Zhang Li of People's Liberation Army.*

MNA



*Senior General Than Shwe receives the visiting Chinese delegation led by Deputy Chief of General Staff General Zhang Li of Chinese People's Liberation Army.—MNA*

### 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



PERSPECTIVES

Tuesday, 28 October, 2008

Strive for students to become qualified intellectuals and technocrats

Qualified new generation human resources are reliable forces in building a peaceful and prosperous society. Teachers play an important role in producing human resources capable of overcoming the challenges of Knowledge Age to be faced in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

The government is building education infrastructures and modern networks in order to create an equal opportunity for pursuing education among urban and rural regions. In setting up better education environment, efforts are to be made for building of more schools, producing of more teachers and equipping them with teaching skills.

The 30-year long-term national education promotion programme has been laid down and is being implemented, while striving for all-round development of the nation. In that regard, extensive reforms are being initiated in the education sector in line with the requirements of the State.

The education sector is taking steps for fulfillment of intellectual and technological requirements and development of arts and science. It is also nurturing and training the youths to be literally well-versed and morally upright and equipped with nationalistic spirit.

Today, efforts are being made for the emergence of a modern and developed nation. At such a time, the nation needs to be strong in finance, technology and infrastructures plus strong morale of the people.

Therefore, it is incumbent upon each and every teacher to constantly nurture and train the students to be morally upright and they will become qualified intellectuals and technocrats. Only then, will efforts for development of the State and the people be fruitful.

Man arrested for making phone threat

YANGON, 27 Oct— A man contacted the office of the Pabedan Township Peace and Development Council at 6.20 p.m on 24 October and made a phone threat using abusive words that he would blow up the offices of the Township PDC, Union Solidarity and Development Association and Police Station.

Immediately after the news was received members of Yangon West District Police Station and the Pabedan Police Station launched an investigation into the incident. With the help of information provided by the people they managed to arrest Yar Sin (a) Tin Myint, 41, son of U Dhawut, of No. 124, 30<sup>th</sup> Street, Ward 7, Pabedan Township at 9.10 p.m.

Upon interrogation, Yar Sin (a) Tin Myint confessed to making the phone threat.

Action is being taken against him under Section 294/505 (B)/506 by the Pabedan Police Station.—MNA

*Lady doctors of Women's Chapter of Myanmar Medical Association render health care services in villages of Twantay Township.—YCDC*

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

Anti-mother-to-child HIV infection knowledge shared



MMCWA President Daw Khin Saw Hnin speaks at the opening ceremony of talks on community-based protection project against HIV infection from mother to child and instructor course.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Oct—Talks on community-based protection project against HIV infection from mother to child and instructor course were conducted at Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association in Nay Pyi Taw Lewe Township today.

MMCWA, Health Department and UNICEF organized the course. It was attended by President of MMCWA Daw Khin Saw Hnin, the vice-president, central executive committee members, chairpersons of project State/Division MCW Supervisory Committees, secretaries, joint-secretaries and chairpersons of project township MCWAs.

MMCWA President Daw Khin Saw Hnin made an opening address and provided cash and assistance to chairpersons of project township MCWSCs, and concluded the first session.

In the second session, Dr Htin Aung of HIV/STD project, Dr Daw Ohnma Aung of UNICEF, Secretary of MMCWA Dr Daw Wai Wai Tha, Joint-Secretary-1 Dr Daw May Marla, Dr Daw Khin Than Nwe of PMCT gave educative talks and replied to the queries raised by those present.

A total of 40 trainees are attending the course and it will last till 31 October.—MNA

Villages of Twantay Tsp enjoy free medical treatment

YANGON, 26 Oct — A team of Women's Chapter of Myanmar Medical Association visited Phayagyi Model Village in Twantay Township to provide medical health care this

morning.

The medical team comprised Patron Dr Daw Khin Hsan Nwe and specialists. They gave medical treatment to 773 patients including 72 children of Phayagyi

Model Village and nearby villages and donated medicines. Members of district and township social organizations and staff of health departments also participated in the health care services. — MNA



National races youth get industrial skills

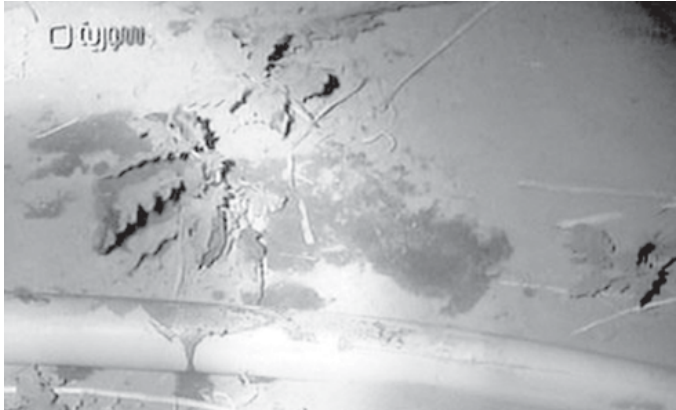
YANGON, 27 Oct— Deputy Director General of Education and Training Department under the Ministry for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs U Win Aung, on 23 October, attended the closing ceremony of basic mechanic course, basic welding course and basic civil engineering course No.4 held at Border Areas National Races Youth Industrial Training School of Panhsan.

Altogether 35 trainees attended the courses and they were presented completion certificates.

MNA



## ‘US helicopter raid’ inside Syria, eight people including four children killed



*An image grab from the official Syrian television showing blood stains on a water pipe in the aftermath of what the Syrian media said was a US military attack on a building in the village of Al-Sukkiraya, near the Syria-Iraq border.—XINHUA*

Damascus, 27 Oct— US military helicopters launched an extremely rare attack Sunday on Syrian territory close to the border with Iraq, killing eight people including four children in a strike the government in Damascus condemned as “serious aggression.”

The official Syrian news agency Sana said the raid took place in the Abu Kamal border area, in eastern Syria.

It said that American soldiers on four helicopters had stormed a building under construction on

Sunday night. Syria has summoned the US and Iraqi envoys in Damascus to protest at the raid.

“Syria condemns this aggressive act and holds American forces responsible for this aggression and all of its repercussions,” a government official said.

If confirmed, the raid would be the first known attack by US forces inside Syrian territory.—*Internet*

*Map locates Abu Kamal, Syria, where US military launched rare attack on fighter network.*

XINHUA

### U.S. attack in Syria

U.S. military helicopters launched an attack on Syrian territory against a foreign fighter network, killing eight people.



*Residents gather at the site of a roadside bomb attack in Baghdad on 27 Oct, 2008. The attack killed three civilians and wounded seven others, police said.*

INTERNET

## Car bomb kills two in Pakistani city of Quetta

QUETTA, 27 Oct — Pakistani police say a car bomb has exploded in the western city of Quetta, killing two people.

Senior police official Rehmatullah Niazi says the bomb exploded on Monday in a parking lot near government offices and the Iranian consulate. He says a rickshaw driver and another person died and ten others were injured.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility. Quetta is the capital of a region that has seen a low-level insurgency for greater autonomy. It is also a hub for Taliban militants fighting in neighbouring Afghanistan.—*Internet*

## Afghan official says suicide bomber kills US soldier

KABUL, 27 Oct—A suicide bomber wearing a police uniform blew himself up inside a police station in northern Afghanistan on Monday, killing an American soldier and wounding six other people, Afghan officials said. The Taliban claimed responsibility.

The bomber entered a police station in Pul-e-Khumri, the capital of Baghlan province, while Afghan officials were meeting with US troops advising a police training program, provincial police chief Gen. Abdul Rahman Sayed Kheil said. The blast killed an American soldier and wounded two others, Kheil said. Four Afghan security officers were also wounded in the blast.

Mujahid said the bomber’s name was Abdul Had and that he was from Baghlan Province. Militants in Afghanistan have in the past disguised themselves in police or army uniforms when attacking Afghan and foreign troops.—*Internet*

## US drone kills up to 20 militants

PESHAWAR (Pakistan), 27 Oct — A US drone fired missiles on Monday into a Pakistani region on the Afghan border that is a stronghold of a Pakistani Taliban leader, killing up to 20 militants, intelligence officials said.

US drones have carried out more than a dozen such missile attacks on militant targets on the Pakistani side of its border with Afghanistan since the beginning of September, killing dozens of people.

US forces in Afghanistan, frustrated over growing cross-border attacks from the Pakistani side of the border, have stepped up their attacks into Pakistan with missile strikes and a commando raid since the beginning of September.

*Internet*



*Survivors leave a military helicopter at Sayoun Airport in southeastern Yemen on 26 Oct, 2008. About 100 people are dead or missing in Yemen after severe flooding caused by torrential rain affected large areas of the country in the past few days.—INTERNET*



## Police say eight Afghan road company staff killed in strikes

KABUL, 27 Oct—Eight Afghan employees of a private road construction company were killed in international air strikes aimed at insurgents in central Afghanistan at the weekend, police said on Monday.

The US-led coalition in Afghanistan said it was investigating the claims, which surfaced on Sunday when local media reports said up to 23 guards of a private road construction company were killed in the strikes in Ghazni. Ghazni police chief Mohammad Zaman told on Monday that eight people had died in the action in the Qarabagh area. —*Internet*



## China says latest-tested baby formula milk and other milk powder safe

BEIJING, 27 Oct—The latest test found that Chinese baby formula milk and other milk powder products met the new temporary restrictions on melamine, the country's top quality control agency said on Sunday.

It was the eleventh test on the industrial chemical following the tainted baby formula scandal that

killed at least three infants and sickened more than 50,000 others, according to the General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ).

The latest test covered 101 batches of baby formula milk powder from 13 brands in seven major cities nationwide, and 46 batches of other milk

powder products from 18 brands in nine cities, the agency said.

At present, 1,208 batches of baby formula from 69 brands and 1,630 batches of other milk powder from 170 brands produced after 14 Sept were tested and all were in line with the limit, it added.

Melamine, often used in the manufacturing of plastics, was added to sub-standard or diluted milk to make the protein levels appear higher.

*Xinhua*

## UN says rebels fire rockets at peacekeepers in Congo

GOMA, 27 Oct—The United Nations says rebels have fired rockets at two vehicles carrying peacekeepers during heavy fighting in Congo.

UN spokesman Col Samba Tall says some soldiers were slightly injured and both vehicles were damaged in the attack on Sunday. Tall says the soldiers had been patrolling the area to protect displaced people who were headed toward the peacekeepers' base in Kalengara. That is a few miles away from the east Congo army base seized by rebels early Sunday, causing thousands to flee. Tall did not give the nationalities of the soldiers involved, but the area is patrolled by Indian troops. Tall says fighting is continuing at a low level.—*Xinhua*

## US military deaths in Iraq war at 4,188

WASHINGTON, 27 Oct—As of Sunday, 26 Oct, 2008, at least 4,188 members of the US military have died in the Iraq war since it began in March 2003.

The figure includes eight military civilians killed in action. At least 3,387 military personnel died as a result of hostile action, according to the military's numbers. The British military has reported 176 deaths; Italy, 33; Ukraine, 18; Poland, 21; Bulgaria, 13; Spain, 11; Denmark, seven; El Salvador, five; Slovakia, four; Latvia and Georgia, three each; Estonia, Netherlands, Thailand and Romania, two each; and Australia, Hungary, Kazakhstan and South Korea, one death each.—*Xinhua*

## Suicide blast kills at least 10 security men in Pakistan's tribal area

ISLAMABAD, 27 Oct —At least 10 security men were killed in a suicide blast in Pakistan's tribal region late Sunday night, local newspapers *The Nation* reported on Monday.

A suicide bomber rammed his explosive-laden car against the Nakai check post wall when 10 out of 15 Frontier Constabulary (FC) personnel were having dinner in Mohmand tribal agency, said the report.

*Xinhua*

## Two killed, two injured in restaurant shooting in Canada

OTTAWA, 27 Oct—Two young people were killed and two others injured in a restaurant shooting in the western Canadian city of Calgary Sunday, reports reaching here said.

Police said they received the report of a gunfire at the Chinese food restaurant shortly before 4 am local time (1000GMT), and found one woman and one man, both in their 20s, dead inside the restaurant, when they arrived. Two other men, also in their 20s, were suffering from gunshot wounds. A fifth person at the table was not injured. —*Xinhua*



*Chinese theatrical performers perform opera Turandot in Cairo Opera House, downtown Cairo, capital of Egypt on 26 Oct, 2008. The scene shows the prince of Tartary finally marries Princees Turandot, in the world famous opera Turadot which was staged in Cairo Opera House. —XINHUA*

## All items from Xinhua News Agency

### Israel's Livni calls for early general election

JERUSALEM, 27 Oct—Israeli Prime Minister-designate Tzipi Livni, also ruling Kadima chairwoman, announced on Sunday that she failed to form a coalition and called for early general elections.

Livni, also Israel's foreign minister, made the announcement at a press conference held at the president's residence in Jerusalem, where she arrived at 5 pm (1500 GMT) to meet with Israeli President Shimon Peres.

"I know that time will not contribute to advancing the coalition negotiations and that time cannot create a solution, but rather only prolong the uncertainty, and that is the basis for my decision," Livni said. "The public is sick of politicking.



*Israeli Prime Minister-designate Tzipi Livni. —XINHUA*

If I thought that time could bring a solution, I would have tried."

There are others who are willing to pay any price, "but I am not willing to sell the state and its citizens only to become the prime minister," Livni said, referring to reports suggesting that opposition leader and Likud Chairman Benjamin Netanyahu had vowed to comply with the ultra-Orthodox Shas Party's demands if he is elected prime minister. —*Xinhua*



*Grooms and brides release balloons in front of the Water Cube Aquatics Centre in Beijing, capital of China, on 26 Oct, 2008. About 208 pairs of couples took part in the group wedding held for Beijing Police Bureau's officers whose wedding were postponed due to their security work for the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games. —XINHUA*

## Sao Paulo's mayor re-elected in Brazil in runoff

BRASILIA, 27 Oct—Gilberto Kassab, incumbent mayor of Sao Paulo, the most populated city in Brazil and South America, was re-elected on Sunday in the second round of the country's municipal election.

According to the Electoral Superior Tribunal, the second round election began on Sunday at 8 am local time (1100GMT) and ended at 5 pm local time (2000GMT).

Kassab, 48, from the Democrat Party (DEM), won 61 percent of the

votes against the 39 percent of Marta Suplicy from the Brazilian Democrat Social Party (PSDB), to continue to govern the city with a population of 11 million.

During the first round of election on 5 Oct, Kassab won 33 percent of the votes, while Suplicy closely followed with 32 percent.

Kassab was supported by the current Governor of Sao Paulo state, Jose Serra from the PSDB, who is considered the

presidential candidate of the political alliance formed by the DEM and the PSDB for the general elections in 2010.

With Sunday's victory, the mayor of Sao Paulo could be decisive for the DEM, a conservative political force in Brazil, to declare its support for Serra as a presidential candidate.

Kassab will manage a budget of some 13 billion US dollars in 2009, almost 20 percent more from 2008. —*Xinhua*



## World's longest tunnel aquarium opens in Thailand

BANGKOK, 27 Oct—The world's longest tunnel aquarium, located in Chiang Mai in the north of Thailand, opened on Sunday.

The Chiang Mai Zoo's aquarium, set on a 10-rai (1.6 hectares) plot of land, is made up of freshwater and ocean sections. It is 133 metres long and 66.5 metres wide. The aquarium, being built by

the Zoological Park Organization (ZPO), features the world's longest tunnel aquarium which houses about 8,000 aquatic animals of 250 different species.

Thai Prime Minister Somchai Wongsawat presided over the opening of the Chiang Mai Zoo's aquarium. Somchai visited the northern province of Chiang Mai

after he returned home from Beijing, where he attended the Asia-Europe Meeting.

The new 600-million-baht aquarium is expected to boost tourism in Chiang Mai, which is expected to be the venue of the ASEAN (the Association of Southeast Asian Nations) Summit to be held in December.

*Internet*

## Somali foes sign ceasefire deal in Djibouti

NAIROBI, 27 Oct—Somalia's government signed a cease-fire agreement with some opposition figures Sunday, meeting an opposition demand by giving a date for the withdrawal of Ethiopian forces backing the interim administration.

More than 10,000 people have been killed and 1 million displaced in fighting since early last year, pitting President Abdullahi Yusuf's government and allied Ethiopian forces against Islamist rebels—mainly the al Shabaab militia, listed by Washington as a terrorist group. Islamist insurgents have stepped up their attacks on government and Ethiopian targets in recent months, vowing not to relent until Addis Ababa withdraws its soldiers from Somalia.

“Effective 26 October 2008, cease-fire observance has been announced. It will become effective 5 November 2008 ... starting 21 November 2008, the Ethiopian troops will relocate from areas of the cities of Beledweyn and Mogadishu,” the agreement said.—*Internet*

## Price plunge aids jump in California home sales

BEIJING, 27 Oct—Single-family home sales in California almost doubled in September, rising above an annual rate of 500,000 for the first time in more than two years, as a plunge in prices boosted buying, the state's Realtors group said Sunday.

The number of existing single-family detached homes sold in California last month was 502,190 on an annualized basis, up 97 percent from 255,340 a year earlier, the California Association of Realtors said.

The last time the number of houses sold in a single month was more than 500,000 on a seasonally adjusted, annualized basis was in April 2006, when 516,965 sold.

Home sales in the most populous United States state were helped by plummeting prices, according to *Bloomberg News*.

The median price was 316,480 US dollars in September, a 41 percent drop from a year earlier, the *Realtors* said.

The increase also “owes as much to market weakness a year ago,” when the availability of mortgages began to plunge, said William E Brown, president of the California Association of Realtors.

“We expect the market to register significant year-to-year percentage gains in the coming months as current sales are compared against extremely low numbers that prevailed during the fourth quarter of last year,” he said.—*Internet*

## Highly-educated people join homeless rank due to economic downturn

LOS ANGELES, 27 Oct—As the economic downturn worsened, lawyers, business owners, pre-med students and other highly-educated people have joined the homeless rank in the Los Angeles area, it was reported on Sunday.

The Los Angeles Burbank Temporary Aid Centre has experienced a 66-percent increase in requests for assistance in the last 18 months, the

*Daily News* reported.

About half of those seeking help are middle-class people experiencing homelessness for the first time, said Barbara Howell, the centre's executive director.

Andy Bales, president of the Los Angeles Union Rescue Mission, said he was also seeing professionals and other middle-class people coming into the mission who are experiencing homelessness for the first

time, including former mission donors.

Experts estimate that in Los Angeles only 12 percent of the homeless find shelter each night, while the rest sleep on streets or in vehicles, parks and abandoned buildings—a practice that has become increasingly dangerous as attacks on the homeless have nearly tripled in the last decade nationwide, the paper said.

*Internet*

## 22,000 Bangladeshi women attacked by breast cancer annually

DHAKA, 27 Oct—About 22,000 women in Bangladesh are being attacked by breast cancer annually and 70 percent of them die due to lack of treatment, experts said here on Sunday. The physicians, who participated in a weeklong programme, said every woman should examine her breast once a month from the 20 years of age.

They said every woman must examine her breast once a year by physicians and women above 40 years should go for mammography test of their breast annually. The experts also stressed the importance of proper food, exercise, breast feeding, accurate dose of birth control pills and avoidance of hormone in helping resist breast cancer.—*Internet*

## Emirates on schedule to get two more Airbus A380s

BEIJING, 27 Oct—Dubai airline Emirates said Sunday it remains on schedule to get two more Airbus A380s by the end of the year following the delayed delivery of its second of the double-decker planes.

An Emirates representative said the airline still expects to receive a plane each in November and December. Another of the “superjumbo” planes is expected by the end of March 2009, the representative said. Deliveries of the A380 have been slowed by technical setbacks, communication failures and other costly delays dating back to 2005. The delays have forced customers to retool their schedules and balance sheet projections at a time when the airline industry has come under pressure from rapidly rising fuel costs and a slumping global economy.—*Internet*



*A man uses stepping stones to cross a flooded street in central Baghdad, Iraq, after a heavy rainfall, on 26 Oct, 2008.—INTERNET*

## Ukraine, IMF agree in principle on loan

MOSCOW, 27 Oct—Ukraine and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) have agreed on terms of a loan aimed to maintain economic stability in the country amid the global financial turmoil, according to reports reaching here.

“Ukraine reached an agreement with the IMF mission on aspects of the economic program, which, provided it is approved by the IMF Board of Governors, will allow Kiev to receive an IMF loan,” Interfax quoted the Ukrainian Finance Ministry as saying.

The IMF loan will depend on “a number of economic policy measures aimed at adjusting the balance of payments given the changed situation on international

markets,” said the ministry.

Prime Minister Yulia Timoshenko has expected for an IMF loan varying from 3 billion US dollars and 14 billion dollars to stabilize the country's financial system.

*Internet*



*A general view shows the opening ceremony of the 6th National Peasants' Games at a stadium in Quanzhou, Fujian Province, on 26 Oct, 2008.—INTERNET*



# Scientists develop cancer fighting tomato



Tomatoes of different colours are seen in a bowl in Medford, Massachusetts. INTERNET

LONDON, 27 Oct—A purple tomato genetically engineered to contain nutrients more commonly seen in dark berries helped prevent cancer in mice, British researchers said on Sunday.

The finding, published in the journal *Nature Biotechnology*, bolsters

the idea that plants can be genetically modified to make people healthier.

Cancer-prone mice fed the modified fruit lived significantly longer than animals fed a standard diet with and without regular tomatoes, Cathie Martin and colleagues at the government-funded John

Innes Centre in Britain reported. “The effect was much bigger than we had expected,” said Martin, a plant biologist.

The study focused on anthocyanins, a type of antioxidant found in berries such as blackberries and blackcurrants that have been shown to lower risk of cancer, heart disease and some neurological diseases.

While an easy health boost, many people do not eat enough of these fruits, the researchers said.

Internet

## China and Vietnam seek land border solution

BEIJING, 27 Oct — China and Vietnam, which fought a brief but bloody border war in 1979, have agreed to find a solution to a land territorial dispute this year, the two sides said in a joint statement in Beijing.

They also agreed to find a “basic and lasting” solution to a festering maritime territorial dispute.

The two countries

dispute sovereignty over the Spratly Islands, a string of rocky outcrops in the South China Sea suspected of containing large oil and gas deposits and also claimed by Taiwan, Brunei, Malaysia and the Philippines.

They also agreed to consult on finding “a proper area and way of making joint exploration,” the

statement said, according to *Xinhua* news agency.

“The two countries will coordinate more closely to solve the remaining problems, so as to ensure they complete demarcation and erecting land markers along the whole borderline by year end,” *Xinhua* quoted the joint statement as saying.

Internet



Greater Snow geese fly at the Cap Tourmente Wildlife area at St-Joachim, on 26 Oct, 2008. According to Environment Canada, at the beginning of the last century there was about 3,000 Greater Snow geese left and the population was on the verge on extinction.—INTERNET

## China expects good rice harvest

BEIJING, 27 Oct— China’s Ministry of Agriculture said on Sunday the country was expecting a good late rice harvest.

An official with the ministry said the output in the southern regions was set to exceed that of last year. He attributed the increase to elevated subsidies to farmers.

He said in the beginning of this year, the country raised the subsidies for farmers who planted the late rice from 8 yuan per mu to 15 yuan. This had encouraged more farmers to plant the second rice.

Meanwhile, the ministry had organized experts to help farmers solve technical problems and answer their questions.—Internet

## Six dead, 24 injured in China bus accident

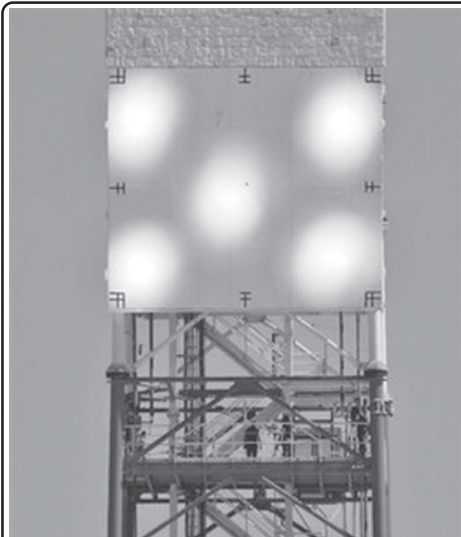
KUNMING, 27 Oct— Six died and 24 were injured after a bus ran off an expressway and fell down onto a riverside in southwest China’s Yunnan Province, local traffic police said on Sunday.

The bus with 30 aboard hit guardrails and ran off the expressway in Dali Bai Autonomous Prefecture at around 3:35 am Sunday, Dali’s traffic police said.

Five people died on the spot. One died in hospital. All the injured, including one seriously, have been sent to hospital.

The cause of the accident was being investigated.

Internet



People stand on a tower used to take in heat from a solar field of mirrors for large scale solar thermal power plants at the Rotem Industrial Complex outside of the town of Dimona, southern Israel. Designers are using the Israeli solar array to test new technology for plants they plant to build in California for Pacific Gas and Electric Company. The new technology uses fields of flat mirrors to focus the sun’s rays on a water boiler. Water turns to steam, which powers a turbine and produces electricity. A relative of California Gov Arnold Schwarzenegger and one of his former cabinet secretaries are part of a private investment group that could reap a windfall if government regulators approve a similar project in the eastern Mojave Desert, Calif.

## British burglar says ‘sorry’ with flowers

A repentant robber in England sent his elderly victim a bouquet of flowers to apologize for frightening her, police said Friday. A 91-year-old woman received the flowers and a note after confronting a burglar in her home around 4 am on 9 Oct, police said.

The card explained that the burglar thought the property in Halifax, about 200 miles north of London, was empty and apologized for breaking in.

Police said the woman was “very shaken” by the confrontation.

## Texas bank robbery suspect flees in black limo

Economic times may not be that tough for a suspected bank robber in the Dallas area. Irving police said the on-the-lam suspect used a limousine as his getaway vehicle.

Police said a Comerica Bank branch was held up Friday, then the suspect jumped into the passenger side of a black limo, which sped away.

Police spokesman David Tull said the man escaped with an undisclosed amount of money.

The limo was also being sought.

## High energy beams a boost for tumor treatments

Chinese nuclear physicists have developed a medical treatment for destroying malignant tumors more than 2.1 cm below the skin surface through the use of heavy ion beams.

Zhan Wenlong, the country’s leading nuclear physicist, said the research carried further an earlier accomplishment made by the same scientists in January.

It also used heavy ion beams to treat tumors 2.1 cm or less below the body surface.

Compared with light ion beams, such as gamma rays and X-rays used in traditional radiotherapies, heavy ion beams are considered the most effective, so far, in accurately moderating the amount of radiation and minimizing the damage done to healthy cells, said the scientist.



A Long March-4B rocket carrying satellites coded as the 03 Group of the Shijian-6 serial research satellites blasts off from the launch pad at the Taiyuan Satellite Launch Center, north China’s Shanxi Province. China successfully launched two satellites with a Long March-4B carrier rocket early Saturday morning.

Actors give traditional acrobatics performance during a tea promotion activity held in Guiyang, southwest China’s Guizhou Province. More than 100 tea factories and traders from 38 counties in Guizhou Province exhibited their tea products here Friday.

NEWSALBUM



# Voices of Labutta dwellers about restoration of their businesses

Article by Maung Maung Htwe

(from page 16)

U Kyaw Soe of Kyaukhmaw model village said, "I have 12 acres of paddy fields and I use Manawthukha, Hsinthwelat and Hnankar strains of paddy. I received a draught buffalo, 10 baskets of paddy seeds and fertilizers from the government, so I have been able to restore my business. The storm caused a little soil depletion, but I applied the knowledge of advanced agricultural methods I had gained from the course the government had conducted, so I did well with my farming. I am sure this season per acre yield of my paddy fields of Manawthukha and Hsinthwelat strains will be nearly 80 baskets. I have no problems of food because we have been provided with relief supplies including rice, edible oil and beans and pulses. At the end of this month, I will harvest five acres of my paddy fields and I will grow green gram and sunflower on the land."

U Ohn of Shansu Village said, "I have a farmland with an area of 10 acres. I grow Pawhsan and Manawthukha paddy strains. I have received a bank loan, two bags of fertilizer, pesticides, six baskets of paddy seeds, a Leya-16 Brand power-tiller and fuel at the rate of six gallons an acre."



**U Kyaw Soe (farmer) of Kyaukhmaw model village, Labutta.**

"I have got relief supplies including a bag of rice and five viss of edible oil for three times. After this paddy season, I think I will grow green



**U Ohn (farmer) of Shansu Village, Labutta.**

gram, bokate and sunflower. I raise three pigs and some chicken. Now, I have been able to live a normal life."

Ko Kyaw Win Tin of Mya Khaing Village said, "The government has provided us with fishing boats and engines to restore our fishing. Our family has nine members. We have been still provided with rice, edible oil and gram. So, I am now doing well with my business. Mostly I catch phawtcheik prawns and I sell them to the purchase

centre in Labutta, and I earn 7000 to 8000 kyats a time."

U Myint Oo of Thanatphet Village-tract said, "There are four members in my family. Since the pre-season, the government has provided us with relief supplies, so everything is okay in my business. Last week, I got a bag of rice, some edible oil, and gram. We have also got fishing boats and engines. Some merchants collect the prawns we



**U Ne Lin, Chairman of Kyaukhmaw model village Peace and Development Council.**

catch. Every day, I catch prawns when the tide ebbs. So, I earn a regular income. In the past, whenever we went to downtown Labutta by boat with my family, I had to row till we reached the destination, so we did not go there frequently. Now,



**U Khway Lay (fisherman) of Mya Khaing Village, Labutta.**

we have got a motorized boat, so we can go there easily."

U Khway Lay of Mya Khaing Village said, "In a few days after the storm, we had real hard times.

But then the government provided us with relief supplies such as food, medicines and clothes. Fishermen were provided with fishing boats, engines and fishing nets and farmers were provided with all necessary supplies such as paddy seeds and power-tillers. So, now we have all returned to normal and restored our businesses."

Those were the voices some local people of Labutta expressed to us in recognition of the good-will and relief supplies the government, and internal and international organizations have provided for them. However, some pessimists are making comments as though storm victims are going through hard times. I am sure their exaggerations based on their negative attitude will dwindle away soon.

**Translation: MS Kyemon: 22-10-2008**



**A rice mill in operation.**



## Government strengthens international political, economic and diplomatic relations

### Special Refresher Course No. 32 for basic education teachers concludes

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Oct—Special refresher course No. 32 for basic education teachers concluded at Yadana Hall of Central Institute of Civil Service (Upper Myanmar) in PyinOoLwin of Mandalay Division yesterday.

On behalf of Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein made a concluding speech on the occasion, saying that the Government has laid down systematic plans and is implementing them for the development of education systems with lofty aims. In the drive for promotion of education systems of the State, the education plays a vital role in the development of all sectors. In accordance with the lofty aims, today's youth are to be nurtured through the might of education to become good citizens of the State equipped with



*Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein, on behalf of the Secretary-1 of the SPDC, delivers an address at the closing ceremony of Special Refresher Course No. 32 for basic education teachers.—MNA*

good morale and qualifications suitable for future prospects of the country.

He said requirements on technology, architectural design and modern machinery have become greater and greater as roads and bridges are being constructed for national development. Moreover, modern management techniques, computer network system and expertise are necessary for management, economic and services sectors, he said.

He said more technology is needed for reduction of global warming and for conservation of environment and development in conformity with the international situation.

He said the government promotes political, economic and diplomatic relations with international communities. It is necessary for the teachers to teach the students English, international relations, political science and law on international economic organizations, he added.

In basic education sector, students are to be trained to gain better education foundations so that they can continue to pursue their education in higher education sector. Only when the teachers train the pupils to possess better character and morale will they become intellectuals and in-

telligentsia who can serve the interest of the nation, he added.

He spoke at length on teaching of children with care, implementing rural development tasks laid down by the Head of State and making efforts for narrowing the gap between urban and rural regions.

Next, the minister presented prizes to

outstanding trainees and greeted the trainees.

The course was attended by 1,305 teachers from basic education schools from upper Myanmar.

Present on the occasion were Minister for Cooperatives Maj-Gen Tin Htut, deputy ministers, the deputy chief justice (Upper Myanmar), members of Civil Service

Selection and Training Board, the chairman of Mandalay City Development Committee mayor, heads of departments, the rector of CICS (Upper Myanmar), pro-rectors, departmental officials at division level, heads of department of CICS (Upper Myanmar), lecturers, demonstrators and trainees.

MNA

**It is necessary for the teachers to teach the students English, international relations, political science and law on international economic organizations.**

## Contestants of 16<sup>th</sup> Performing Arts Competition visit Nay Pyi Taw

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Oct—National races from Kachin, Kayah and Chin states who studied the 16<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions, and judges (central), judges of State/Division, managers and contestants today visited around Nay Pyi Taw.

First, they visited Myanma Radio and

Television of the Ministry of Information where they were welcomed by Director-General U Khin Maung Htay and officials. After studying the broadcasting programmes, they visited around the MRTV.

Next, they went to Zoological Gardens (Nay Pyi Taw) of the Ministry of Forestry and enjoyed animals show.

In the evening, they visited staff quarter and Nay Pyi Taw Myoma Market, scenic beauty of Nay Pyi Taw by car.

Later, they visited Nga Lite recreation centre and Nga Lite Dam of the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation and they went to Nay Pyi Taw Fountain Gardens.

MNA



*National races of Kachin State, Kayah State and Chin State, judges, managers and contestants visit Zoological Gardens (Nay Pyi Taw).—MNA*



## Chinese delegation arrives Yangon

YANGON, 27 Oct— At the invitation of member of the State Peace and Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann of the Ministry of Defence, a Chinese delegation led by General Zhang Li, Deputy

Chief of General Staff of People's Liberation Army of the People's Republic of China arrived here this morning by special flight. Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Win Myint, senior military

officers, Chinese Ambassador to the Union of Myanmar Mr. Guan Mu, Military Attache Senior Colonel Fan Lianseng and officials welcomed them at Yangon International Airport.—MNA

## Factories of Industry-2 inspected

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Oct—Minister for Industry-2 Vice-Admiral Soe Thein, on 25 October, inspected Electric and Electronic factory (South Dagon) where the responsible persons of the factory reported on production of home-used metres.

Metre boxes produced there are

manufactured applying high technology and the production capacity of the factory is 1600 boxes per day, exceeding the local demand, 0.4 million pieces per year.

The minister called for better quality products, regular supply of raw materials, increased production capacity and meeting the demand of

Ministry of Industry -2.

The minister then cordially greeted the skilled workers of the factory and proceeded to No. 1 Automobile Factory (Yangon) in which he looked into production process and gave instructions on improving quality of TE-21 trucks.

MNA

## Talks on Motivation & Job Design on 1 Nov

YANGON, 27 Oct— Dr Tin Win, Pro-rector of Meiktila Institute of Economics, will give talks on Motivation and Job Design at Myanmar Fishery Federation in

Insein Township on 1 November.

The talks were jointly organized by Myanmar Fishery Federation and Myanmar Prawn Entrepreneur

Association with the assistance of Han Sein Thant Engineering & Trading.

Any one may attend the talks at 2 p.m on 1 November.—MNA

## Educative talks given

YANGON, 27 Oct — An educative talk jointly organized by Administration and Information Departments and Social and Cultural Working Group of Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation was given at No. 48 Basic Education Post-Primary School in Shwepaukkan Myothit this morning.

Paediatrician Dr Daw Khin Mar Aye,

ophthalmologist Dr Daw Nilar Thein and dental surgeon Dr Daw Theint Theint Than Wai of Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation provided health care services to the school children.

Head of Administration Department of MWAFF Dr Daw Khin Hsan Nwe, leader of protection of women and rehabilitation working group Daw Tin Tin Nwe, leader of social and cultural

working group Daw Sanda Aung gave talks on personal hygiene. Secretary of Information Department of MWAFF Daw Than Than Win and Dr Daw Kyi Kyi Aung gave talks on IT development and youth sector.

Dr Daw Khin Hsan Nwe and officials presented 50 dozens of exercise books, trash bins, rubbish bags and books to headmaster U Tin Latt.—MNA



**Members of Administration and Information Departments and Social and Cultural Working Group of MWAFF providing health care to students.—YCDC**



**Commander Brig-Gen Win Myint welcomes General Zhang Li, Deputy Chief of General Staff of PLA and delegation.—MNA**

## School environment sanitation activities in Nay Pyi Taw

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Oct—Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein on 25 October visited No. 1 Basic Education High School in Nay Pyi Taw.

The minister viewed school

environment sanitation activities in buildings, classrooms, toilets carried out by the students and their teachers. He also inspected the access to the school, park, playgrounds and storage of drinking water.

According to the education plan, Ministry of Education designated the last week of October as the School Environment Sanitation Day.

MNA



**Minister Dr Chan Nyein inspects school environment sanitation activities at No. 1 BEHS in Nay Pyi Taw.—EDUCATION**

## 200 kyat lottery tickets available as of December 1

YANGON, 27 Oct— Aungbarlay Lottery Division of the Internal Revenues Department of the Ministry of Finance and Revenue will start to sell the 240th Aungbarlay Lottery tickets as of December 1 of 2008. A ticket for the 240th Aungbarlay lottery to be opened January 1

of 2009 will be sold at 200 kyat instead of 100 kyat.

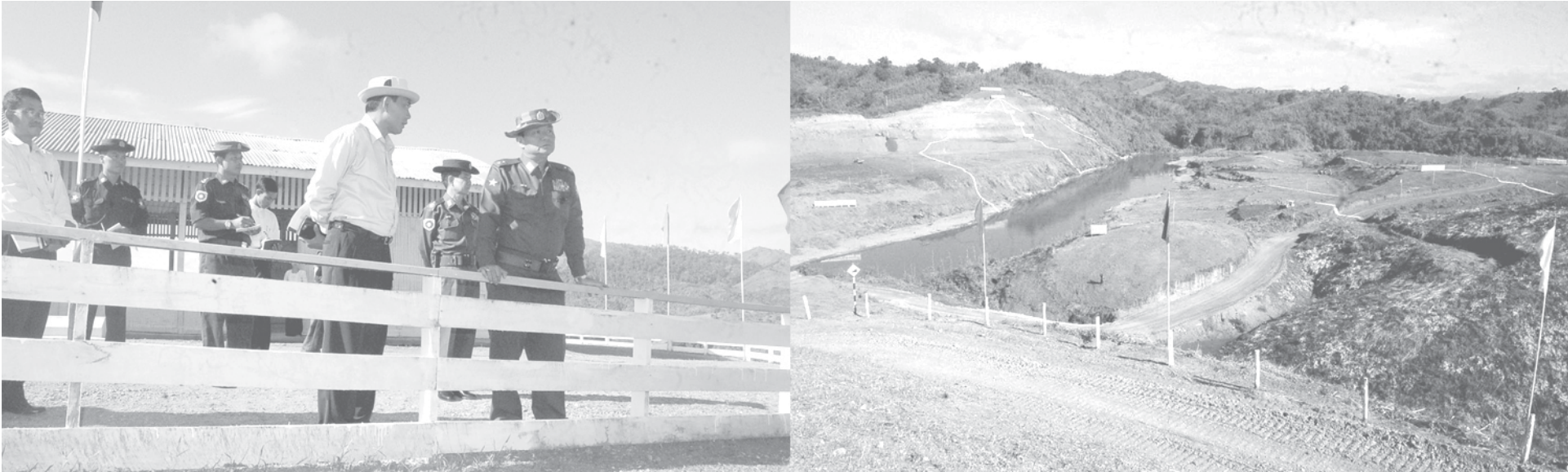
The tickets including 30 lottery alphabets will be published. The winning lottery list will include one lucky draw lot worth K 100 million, one lot worth K 50 million, three lots worth K 30 million each, five

lots worth K 20 million each, 17 lots worth K 10 million each, 493 lots worth K one million each, three lots worth K 500,000 each, 173 lots worth K 300,000 each, 1593 lots worth K 200,000 each and 15704 lots worth K 100,000 each, totaling 17,993 lots.

MNA



# Hydropower, bridge construction projects in An inspected



Maj-Gen Khin Zaw inspects An creek hydropower project.—MNA

## Installation of power lines inspected

YANGON, 27 Oct—Minister for Electric Power No. 2 Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint visited Myaungdaga main sub-power station in Hmawby Township yesterday.

The minister inspected installation of 230KV twin bundle single circuit power lines between Kamanat (Bago) and Myaungdaga, distribution of Shwedaung-Myaungdaga 230 KV power grid and supply of power between Myaungdaga and Hlawga.

The minister inspected bus bar in switch yard in Myaungdaga main sub-power station and connection of power line of

Shwedaung, Myaungdaga and Hlawga and distribution of power with the use of five 33 KV output feeders.

Project Manager Superintending Engineer U Saw Win Maung reported on construction of 186 towers between Kamanat (Bago) and Myaungdaga, construction of 272 towers between Kamanat (Bago) and Thanlwin and construction of 36 towers between Thakayta and Thanlyin.

The minister gave instructions on systematic arrangement, worksite safety and completion of the project in time.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Oct—Maj-Gen Khin Zaw of the Ministry of Defence together with Chairman of Rakhine State Peace and Development Council Commander of Western Command Maj-Gen Thaung Aye and officials visited An Creek

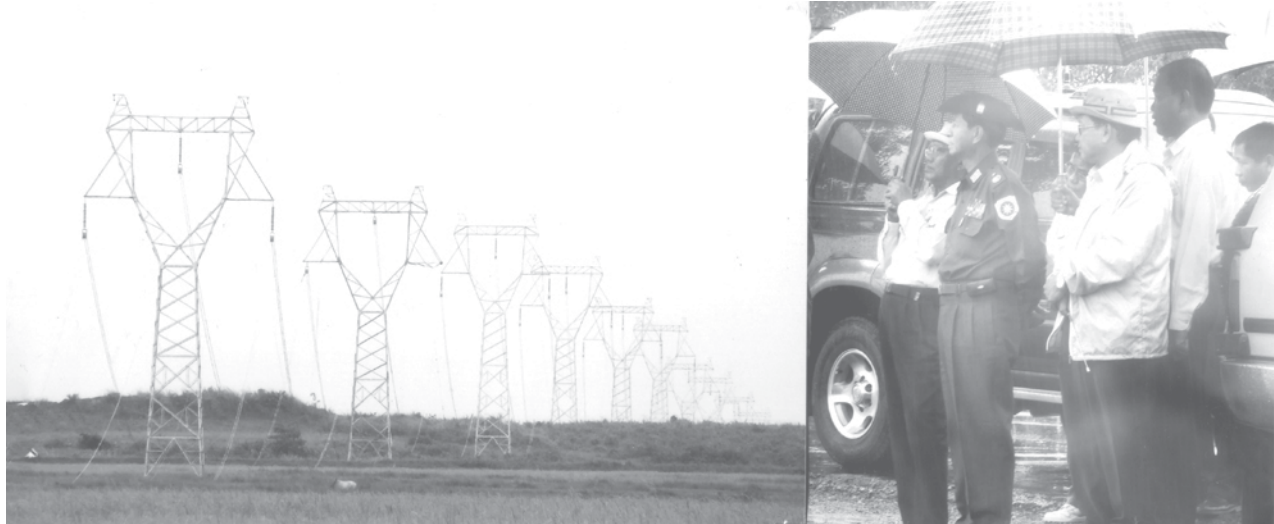
Hydropower Project being constructed by the Hydropower Implementation Department, 3.5 miles north-east of An on 22 October morning and inspected construction tasks.

Next, they proceeded to Thayu (Pabaddon) bridge

construction being implemented by the special bridge construction group of Public Works near Mile Post 91/2 on Yangon-Swittway road and inspected construction work. Then, Maj-Gen Khin Zaw and party viewed development of An.

Later, they looked into signal lights installed at the runway of An Airport and construction of a new hospital building of No. 2 Military Hospital (300-bed) being undertaken by Original Group Co.

MNA



## Education Ministry organizes respect paying

YANGON, 27 Oct — Ministry of Education organized a ceremony to pay respects to teachers at No. 2 Basic Education High School in

Sangyoung Township on 25 October, to mark World Teachers' Day.

Chairman of the Organizing the 5<sup>th</sup> Respect Paying to teachers

Director-General U Kyaw Thu of the No 1 Basic Education Department read out a report on holding the ceremony.

Next, directors-

general, retired directors-general and officials gave presents and paid respects to old teachers. The retired officials spoke words of thanks.—MNA



Education Ministry organizes ceremony to pay respects to teachers at No. 2 BEHS in Sangyoung. — EDUCATION

Minister for Electric Power No. 2 Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint looks into installation of power lines between Kamanat (Bago) and Myaungdaga.—MNA

## Talks on global financial crisis on 1 Nov

YANGON, 27 Oct—Work Committee for Promotion of Information Technology of Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry has organized the talk (11/07-09) with the assistance of Thapyaymin Employment Agency Co Ltd. The talk will be held at the building of UMFCI Tower on Minye Kyaw Swa Road

in Lanmadaw township here on 1 November.

Dr Maung Maung Thein, general manager of Myanma Insurance of Ministry of Finance and Revenue will give talks under the topic of “Global Financial Crisis and Down of World’s No. 1 Insurance Company”. Those interested in the subject are invited to attend the talks.—MNA



## Chinese, Russian officials pledge to push forward energy coop

Moscow, 27 Oct — Senior Chinese and Russian officials pledged to push forward the two countries' energy cooperation during a high-level energy negotiators' meeting here on Sunday.

"During this conference... we exchanged views and reached consensus on strengthening bilateral cooperation in oil and gas, nuclear energy and electricity," said Chinese Vice Premier Wang Qishan, commenting on the talks with his Russian counterpart Igor Sechin.

Wang suggested that the China-Russia energy cooperation cover all sectors including oil and gas, nuclear energy and electricity, be market-oriented and

based on the principle of benefiting both sides.

Hailing the booming Chinese-Russian political and economic ties, Wang said the two countries' energy negotiation mechanism will help expand and deepen the long-term and steady energy cooperation.

Sechin, for his part, said the energy negotiation mechanism promoted bilateral energy cooperation to a new level as related government agencies and enterprises have done a lot to stimulate cooperation since the first energy negotiators' meeting.

MNA/Xinhua



Pakistani and Afghan delegations attend the Tribal Elders Jirga meeting in Islamabad on 27 Oct, 2008. —INTERNET

## Cambodia, Vietnam to finish demarcating land border by end of 2012

PHNOM PENH, 27 Oct — Cambodia and Vietnam has agreed to complete demarcating their land border by the end of 2012, English-Khmer language newspaper the *Cambodia Daily* on Monday quoted an official as saying.

The decision was made while Ho Xuan Son, undersecretary of the Vietnamese Foreign Affairs Ministry and director of the country's border committee, met with Cambodian Deputy Prime Minister and Cabinet Minister Sok An here on Thursday, Phay Siphon, spokesman of the Cambodian Council of Ministers, told the paper.

MNA/Xinhua



Stockbrokers react as they monitor share prices during the morning trading season in a securities company in Jakarta on 27 Oct, 2008. —INTERNET

## Highway accident kills five in Peru

LIMA, 27 Oct — Five people died and 32 were injured on Sunday after a bus turned over in Apurimac region in central Peru, said National Police of Peru (PNP).

The accident, which occurred on Sunday early morning on the Puquio-Chalhuanca road in Pampamarca District, might have been caused by speeding or bad road conditions, according to a preliminary inquiry. One of the casualties was a German tourist, identified as Ruth Corsean, while the rest remained unknown.

The injured were taken to the local hospital. — MNA/Xinhua

## Australian govt may cut migration intake

CANBERRA, 27 Oct — The Australian Immigration Minister Chris Evans said on Sunday the government would consider calls for a reduction in immigration to cope with slowing economic growth when it received the mid-year economic data.

He said Australia already was seeing increased interest in migration to Australia from countries like Britain which were experiencing economic downturn.

Evans said the government would also consult with industry before deciding whether or not to alter this year's migration programme.

"The programme was designed in the light of the forecasts for this year - strong economic growth, high inflation and a real skills crisis," he told the *Nine Network*.

"If those parameters are changing, the government will take a sober look at those issues and make a decision when we have got proper information," he said.

Evans said it was easy to call for a migration reduction but it was important to consider migrants actually had a positive impact on the economy.

"What we know is most migrants have better job outcomes than Australians locally. We know that they consume, they buy property and they're a net positive to the budget," he said.

MNA/Xinhua

## Family drug cartel leader arrested in Tijuana, Mexico

MEXICO CITY, 27 Oct — The head of a major family drug-dealing cartel in Tijuana, a city bordering the United States which is plagued by rampant gang violence, has been arrested, police said Sunday.

Eduardo Arellano Felix, nicknamed "the Doctor", was arrested in an operation Saturday night, said spokesmen of the National Defence Ministry (Sedena) and Federal Public Security (SSPF). The police exchanged fire with the gangsters before getting into the house where he had been hiding, they said.

With Eduardo's detention, "the generation of the (Arellano) brothers who formed that criminal structure has been dismantled," SSPF Vice Minister Facundo Rosas told a Press conference.

Eduardo Arellano was fully identified for his burnt scars in both arms and chest, Rosas said.

MNA/Xinhua



A file photo shows children watch heavy equipment clear a swath of primary and secondary forest some 120 km east of Madagascar's capital Antananarivo. The country is throwing its all into the mining sector to vanquish poverty but the environmental and social risks are high. — INTERNET

## G-7 express concern over yen's rise in emergency statement

TOKYO, 27 Oct — The Group of Seven major economies said in a joint emergency statement Monday that they were concerned about the sharp rise of yen against the US dollars and other major currencies in the world.

"We are concerned about the recent excessive volatility in the exchange rate of the yen and its possible adverse implications for economic and financial stability," the G-7 said in a statement issued by Japan.

MNA/Xinhua



CLAIMS DAY NOTICE  
MV KOTA TEGAP VOY NO (409)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA TEGAP VOY NO (409) are hereby notified that the vessel has arrived on 27.10.08 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

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

Phone No: 256919/256916/256912

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE  
MV KOTA TABAH VOY NO (TBH-253)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA TABAH VOY NO (TBH-253) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 28.10.08 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

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

Phone No: 256908/378316/376797

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE  
MV XIANG DA VOY NO (8009)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV XIANG DA VOY NO (8009) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 28.10.08 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT  
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY  
AGENT FOR: M/S CHINA SHIPPING  
(MALAYSIA) AGENCY SDN BHD

Phone No: 256908/378316/376797



MYANMAR IVANHOE COPPER COMPANY LIMITED(TENDER NOTICE)

**TENDER. IFB No. 23/ Overseas/2008**  
Supply of General, Tyre, Pump (20) lots are invited form Overseas Suppliers by CIF. Yangon Basis, Euro or Singapore \$ Currency, by LC Term.  
**CLOSING DATE will be on 11 November 2008 12 noon.**  
Tender documents are available at the following addresses:  
70 (I) Bo Chein Street, Pyay Road, Hlaing Township, Yangon, Myanmar  
Tel: (95) 1 514194 to 7; Fax: (95) 1 514208; Email: [miccl@miccl.com.mm](mailto:miccl@miccl.com.mm)  
Site: Tel: (95) 71 22225/6; Fax: (95) 71 22522; Email: [supply@miccl.com.mm](mailto:supply@miccl.com.mm)  
Bids are to be reached the above offices on or before the closing date.  
Queries can be done between 10am to 4pm at Supply Department; Tel: (95) 71 22225/6; Email: [supply@miccl.com.mm](mailto:supply@miccl.com.mm) before the Tender Closing Date.

Oil falls to \$63 as investors eye falling demand

SINGAPORE, 27 Oct—Oil prices fell to 17-month lows at \$63 a barrel Monday in Asia as investors weighed Friday's OPEC output cut against growing evidence of a severe global economic slowdown that would undermine crude demand.

Light, sweet crude for December delivery fell 32 cents to \$63.83 a barrel in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange by midday in Singapore.

Investors brushed off a 1.5 million barrel-a-day cut announced by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries on Friday, focusing instead on falling crude demand as economies across the globe reel from the impact of a credit crisis.

On Friday, oil fell \$3.69 to settle at \$64.15. Prices have plunged 57 percent from a record \$147.27 on 11 July.

Oil investors have also been eyeing stock markets to gauge sentiment on global economic health. Most Asian stock indexes fell Monday, led by Hong Kong, South Korea and Australia. Japanese shares rebounded slightly after plummeting last week.—*Internet*

Study finds AIDS treatment should start sooner

WASHINGTON, 27 Oct—People who have the AIDS virus should start drug treatments sooner than current guidelines recommend, suggests a large new study that could change the care of hundreds of thousands of Americans.

The study found that delaying treatment until a patient's immune system is badly damaged nearly doubles the risk of dying in the next few years compared to patients whose treatment started earlier.

Doctors have thought it would be better to spare patients the side effects of AIDS drugs as long as possible.

The study was reported Sunday at an infectious diseases conference in Washington.

Powerful drug combinations available since the mid-1990s have transformed HIV infection into a manageable chronic condition rather than the death sentence it once was. But they can cause heart and cholesterol problems, diarrhea, nausea and other side effects. They also must be taken faithfully or resistance develops and the drugs stop working.

*Internet*

World's heaviest man marries in Mexico

MONTERREY, 27 Oct— The world's heaviest man has tied the knot.

Manuel Uribe, who hasn't left his bed in six years, married his longtime girlfriend Claudia Solis Sunday in northern Mexico.

Wearing a white silk shirt with a sheet wrapped around his legs, Uribe smiled as Solis, 38, walked down a flight of stairs wearing a strapless ivory dress, a tiara and hot-pink lipstick.

He later broke into tears as a notary declared the couple husband and wife in a civil ceremony attended by more than 400 guests. For the traditional first dance as newlyweds, Uribe and Solis held hands and swayed to a romantic ballad.—*Internet*



**Manuel 'Meme' Uribe, 43, gives a thump up while being driven in a forklift to the dance hall where he and Claudia Solis will get married in Monterrey, Mexico, on 26 Oct, 2008.**

INTERNET

Drive with care

*A farmer takes his horse and cart to a traditional blessing of animals ceremony to mark World Food Day in the village of Gharghur in central Malta on 26 Oct, 2008.*

INTERNET

Heart device maker recalls implant

PLEASANTON, 27 Oct— A medical device company has ordered the recall of certain batches of a small mechanical heart pump, saying five people have died while using the device. Thoratec Corp urged patients to have their implants checked after confirming 27 reports of cases in which wear and fatigue to an electrical wire required the devices to be replaced, the company said in a statement on Friday.

The reports occurred over five years of clinical experience with 1,972 implants, the company said. In five cases, the device could not be replaced and the patients died.

The recall affects devices with catalog numbers 1355 and 102139, which have been distributed to 153 hospitals and distributors throughout the United States and other countries since the beginning of clinical studies in November 2003.

A Thoratec spokeswoman did not immediately respond to a call seeking additional comment Sunday.

The HeartMate II pump was approved in April as a temporary treatment for patients awaiting heart transplants, but analysts had said the larger market for the product is in "destination therapy," or patients with end-stage heart failure who are too ill for a transplant.

*Internet*



## Study shows humans made fire 790,000 years ago

JERUSALEM, 27 Oct — A new study shows that humans had the ability to make fire nearly 790,000 years ago, a skill that helped them migrate from Africa to Europe. By analyzing flints at an archaeological site on the bank of the river Jordan, researchers at Israel's Hebrew University discovered that early civilizations had learned

to light fires, a turning point that allowed them to venture into unknown lands.

A previous study of the site published in 2004 showed that man had been able to control fire — for example transferring it by means of burning branches — in that early time period. But researchers now say that ancient man could actually

start fire, rather than relying on natural phenomena such as lightning.

The new study, published in a recent edition of Quaternary Science Reviews, mapped 12 archaeological layers at Gesher Benot Yaaqov in northern Israel. While they did not find remnants of ancient matches or lighters, Alperson-Afil said the patterns of burned flint found in the same place throughout 12 civilizations was evidence of fire-making ability, though the methods used were unclear. —Internet

**A photographer stands next to a new lunar rover vehicle that US space agency NASA is testing in Black Point, Arizona, on 24 Oct, 2008. The Small Pressurized Rover Concept vehicle is designed to carry two astronauts without space suits, sitting in a pressurized compartment, when NASA returns to lunar exploration by 2020. —INTERNET**



## One man's garbage becomes another's power plant



**A methane gas collection pipe sticks out of the 1-E landfill in Kearny, NJ, seen on 6 Oct, 2008. —INTERNET**

KEARNY, 27 Oct — Standing atop the 400-acre 1-E landfill, you get a panoramic view of the Meadowlands sports complex to the north and the New York City skyline to the east. You're also standing on a critical part of New Jersey's, and the nation's, energy future.

Decades' worth of household trash, construction waste and assorted refuse buried in the landfill are providing electricity to thousands of homes.

"It's like you're buying back your own garbage, but in a different form," said Tom Marturano, director of solid waste and natural resources for the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission, which owns and operates the 1-E site. The Kearny site is among 21 landfills in New Jersey where methane gas produced by decomposing garbage is used as fuel to generate electricity, according to the state Board of Public Utilities.

That is almost as many as in the state of Texas and more than the combined number in Georgia, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas and Oklahoma.

Nationwide, the federal Environmental Protection Agency counts 455 landfills that use their methane to generate

electricity and has targeted more than 500 others as potential candidates through its Landfill Methane Outreach Programme.

One of New Jersey's leading environmentalists envisions the state's landfills someday making more use of the sites by installing wind and solar power to supplement methane.

Internet



## Can smoke and mirrors ease global warming?



**Splinters of ice peel off from one of the sides of the Perito Moreno glacier in a process of a unexpected rupture during the southern hemisphere's winter months, near the city of El Calafate in the Patagonian province of Santa Cruz, southern Argentina. —INTERNET**

OSLO, 27 Oct — Backers of extreme technologies to curb global warming advocate dumping iron dust into the

seas or placing smoke and mirrors in the sky to dim the sun.

But, even though they are seen by some as cheap fixes for climate change when many nations are worried about economic recession, such "geo-engineering"

proposals have to overcome wide criticism that they are fanciful and could have unforeseen side effects.

"We are at the boundaries, treading in areas that we are not normally dealing with," said Rene Coenen, head of the Office for the London Convention, an international organisation that regulates dumping at sea.

The London Convention, part of the International Maritime Organisation, will review ocean fertilization at a meeting this week.

Internet

## Colombian hostage escapes with rebel jailer

BOGOTA, 27 Oct — A 62-year-old lawmaker held captive eight years by leftist rebels walked to freedom in a western Colombia jungle on Sunday along with the young guerrilla commander who had been his jailer. President Alvaro Uribe said the rebel and his girlfriend would be rewarded with asylum in France.

Oscar Tulio Lizcano is the first Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia hostage to gain freedom since the 2 July rescue of former presidential candidate Ingrid Betan-



**Former hostage Oscar Tulio Lizcano uses a cell phone after arriving at a military base in Cali, Colombia, on 26 Oct, 2008. —INTERNET**

court and three US military contractors. His escape is yet another blow to Latin America's last major rebel army, which is battling record desertions under withering pressure from Colombia's US-backed military.

The white-bearded Lizcano encountered a military road checkpoint three days after escaping with the leader of the unit that held him. He looked haggard in a grimy black shirt and muddy training pants during Sunday's news conference at a military base in the western city of Cali. —Internet

## Security firms join Somali piracy fight

NAIROBI, 27 Oct — Blackwater Worldwide and other private security firms — some with a reputation for being quick on the trigger in Iraq — are joining the battle against pirates plaguing one of the world's most important shipping lanes

off the coast of Somalia.

The growing interest among merchant fleets to hire their own firepower is encouraged by the US Navy and represents a new and potential lucrative market for security firms scaling back operations in Iraq. But some maritime organizations told The Associated Press that armed guards may increase the danger to ships' crews or that overzealous contractors might accidentally fire on fishermen.

The record in Iraq of security companies like Blackwater, which is being investigated for its role in the fatal shooting of 17 Iraqi civilians in 2007, raises concerns about unregulated activity and possible legal wrangles. Some security companies — not all of which let their employees carry lethal weapons — blame trigger-happy operators in Iraq and Afghanistan for tarnishing the reputation of legitimate businesses.

Internet

**Mondex, a Chihuahua, wears a pirate costume during a Halloween dog show for the benefit of an animal welfare organization in Manila, on 26 Oct, 2008. Mondex won the Creative Costume award. —INTERNET**



# SPORTS

## Federer season back on course with Basel title hat-trick



**Switzerland's Roger Federer clinches his fist after defeating his opponent Argentina David Nalbandian in the final match of the Swiss Indoors tennis tournament in Basel. Federer won 6-3, 6-4.—INTERNET**

BASEL, 27 Oct — Roger Federer completed a trophy hat-trick at his home event, the Swiss Indoors, on Sunday as he defeated longtime rival David Nalbandian 6-3, 6-4.

Federer, who came alive after a slow start this season as he lifted a fifth straight US Open crown, has now won two of the last three ATP events he has played and a fourth trophy in all in 2008.

Federer goes into the season-ending Masters Cup in Shanghai from November 9 charged with enthusiasm with his 57th career title secured and a

63-13 record so far this season.

The Swiss stands 10-8 over Nalbandian after facing the Argentine for a decade or more dating to their junior days.

Federer spent just 68 minutes in earning the victory as he competed in the fifth Basel final of his career.

His unsuccessful first two, in 2000 and 2001, have been followed up by victories at the last three editions.

*Internet*

## Edwards wins at Atlanta Motor Speedway

HAMPTON, 27 Oct — Carl Edwards passed Denny Hamlin on a late restart, then held on to win Sunday at Atlanta Motor Speedway to keep his championship hopes alive.

But his seventh win of the season barely dented Jimmie Johnson's points lead. Johnson had a rough start to the race — earning a rare pit-road penalty that dropped him a lap off the pace — but stormed back to finish second with an impressive final sprint through the field.

A debris caution with 13 laps to go gave Johnson a chance to dip onto pit road for two fresh tires, and he was 11th when the race resumed with eight laps remaining. Johnson then picked off the cars in front of him one at a time to widen his lead to 183 points over Edwards.—*Internet*



**Carl Edwards celebrates after winning the Pep Boys Auto 500 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series auto race at Atlanta Motor Speedway in Hampton, Ga., on 26 Oct, 2008. INTERNET**

## Eto'o and Barca back to their best



**For the entire summer Samuel Eto'o's, seen here, Barcelona future was up in the air as new coach Pep Guardiola set about getting rid of under-performing stars and installing a new mentality within the club.—INTERNET**

MADRID, 27 Oct — For the entire summer Samuel Eto'o's Barcelona future was up in the air as new coach Pep Guardiola set about getting rid of under-performing stars and installing a new mentality within the club.

Tottenham Hotspur were strongly linked with Cameroon international Eto'o but he made peace with Guardiola and it has paid dividends with the striker back to his best, scoring nine goals in his first eight matches.

Eto'o scored the fastest league hat-trick in Barcelona history with a treble inside the first 23 minutes as Barca crushed Almeria 5-0 on Saturday and they are now second in La Liga, a point behind lead-

ers Valencia. Eto'o sits top of the goalscoring charts alongside Valencia's David Villa and after their worst start for 35 years Barca are on a roll.

The Catalan giants have won nine games in a row, six in the league, and are starting to look like the Barcelona of a few years ago rather than the inconsistent side that failed to secure silverware for the previous two seasons under Frank Rijkaard.—*Internet*

## Referees are disrespecting fans, says Roma chief Sensi

ROME, 27 Oct — AS Roma owner Rosella Sensi took a swipe at referees after her team's under-performing stars fell to their fifth defeat in eight Serie A matches with a 3-1 loss at Udinese.

Antonio Di Natale scored the first Udinese goal on 10 minutes from the penalty spot after Max Tonetto was adjudged to have brought down Antonio Floro Flores in the box. Television replays showed that Tonetto caught Floro Flores just outside the box but momentum took both players into the area.

Sensi also felt Roma should have had a first half penalty when Mirko Vucinic went down after seemingly minimal contact. He was booked for diving, although TV replays showed he had been caught on the ankle.

*Internet*

## Redknapp 'couldn't turn Tottenham down'



**Tottenham Hotspur's new manager Harry Redknapp walks out for the first time against Bolton Wanderers before their Premiership football match at White Hart Lane.—INTERNET**

LONDON, 27 Oct — Harry Redknapp watched Tottenham win his first game in charge, and their first Premier League match this season, before revealing how he would have "regretted it for the rest of his life" if he'd turned them down.

Redknapp left his position as manager of top-flight Portsmouth on Saturday to replace Spanish coach Juande Ramos at White Hart Lane, who was sacked after the club made their worst start to a season.

Under Ramos, Tottenham took two points from their opening eight league games this term. In one match alone Redknapp surpassed that total with goals from Roman Pavlyuchenko and Darren Bent securing a 2-0 win over Bolton at White Hart Lane.

Last season, Redknapp was linked with a high-profile move to Spurs's fellow strugglers Newcastle before deciding to remain on the south coast.—*Internet*

## Dementieva wins three-hour Luxembourg title marathon

LUXEMBOURG, 27 Oct — Russia's Olympic champion Elena Dementieva clinched the Luxembourg WTA title on Sunday but the top seed needed three hours to see off Danish fourth seed Caroline Wozniacki 2-6, 6-4, 7-6 (7/4).

The 27-year-old, world number five eventually had too much experience and power for her 18-year-old opponent who was struggling with her fitness by the end. "I feel like I just won a Grand Slam," Dementieva said. "I think it was the most difficult final I've ever played.—*Internet*



**Russia's Olympic champion Elena Dementieva**

## Back to best Ivanovic wins Linz title

LINZ, 27 Oct — Serbian top seed Ana Ivanovic won the 600,000 dollars WTA event in Linz on Sunday with an impressive 6-2, 6-1 demolition of Russian second seed Vera Zvonareva.

Ivanovic, currently ranked fourth in the world after a spell as number one, swamped her ninth-ranked rival, at 23, three years her senior, never looking back after two breaks sent her romping 3-0 clear in the opening set.

She wrapped that one up at the first time of asking then bagged another break to all but end her rival's resistance at the start of the second.

She completed the job in just 51 minutes on her first match point.

Ivanovic, ten days off her 21st birthday, pocketed her eighth career title and the third of 2008 - including Roland-Garros.

After winning in Paris and taking the number one ranking, things turned sour for the Serbian pin-up as a right thumb injury forced her to miss the Beijing Olympics, while dragging down her overall level - she went out in the third round at Wimbledon to 133rd-ranked Zheng Jie of China.—*Internet*



**Serbian tennis player Ana Ivanovic reacts after she defeated her opponent Russian Vera Zvonareva 6-2, 6-1 in the final of the WTA Open tournament in Linz, some 200 kilometers west of Vienna.—INTERNET**



## US independent candidate claims record-long speech

WASHINGTON, 27 Oct—An US independent presidential candidate claimed on Sunday that he has created a world record of longest campaign speeches in a single day.

Ralph Nader, a longtime liberal consumer advocate, said that he has made speech marathon of more than 255 minutes in 21 Massachusetts communities on Saturday, long enough to overwrite the Guinness Book for World Records.

The 74-year-old candidate was told earlier by Guinness officials that

he has to give at least 150 minutes of speeches with each lasting at least 10 minutes and having an audience of at least 10 people.

“When you’re seeking justice, as I have for so many years, it’s invigorating, not fatiguing,” he said of his adventure.

His spokesman told reporters that Nader’s “Massachusetts Marathon” was aimed at raising awareness he is running for president as an independent.

MNA/Xinhua

## Bangladesh warns of storm in Bay of Bengal

DHAKA, 27 Oct—Bangladesh advised ports to hoist warning signals and asked all vessels to stay in shelters or close to shore as a tropical storm in the Bay of Bengal moved towards its coasts, officials said on Sunday.

The storm has driven strong winds and rain over the country since Friday, and could last a few more days, the meteorological department said. Two people were killed when a tree uprooted by the wind fell on them at a village in Chandpur District 170 kilometres (106 miles) southeast of the capital Dhaka on Sunday.

The meteorological department said at 0600 GMT on Sunday, the storm was about 635 kilometres (400 miles) southwest of Chittagong. It was expected to intensify and move in a north or northeasterly direction to make landfall between Barishal and Khulna by Monday afternoon. The storm was likely to sweep the coasts with a tidal surge of up to two metres above normal levels, the met office said.—MNA/Reuters



A Labrador police dog is held by a policeman while other dogs are photographed during a dog festival in Kathmandu on 27 Oct, 2008. Hindu Nepalese all over the country are celebrating this festival by offering food and garlands to the dogs for their obedience.—Internet

## Over 2,000 flee home after flood in eastern Indonesia

JAKARTA, 27 Oct—At least 2,000 people have escaped from floods in Gorontalo province in eastern parts of Indonesia, official said here Monday.

Indonesia has been frequently hit by flood and landslide due to lack of forest-covered areas, which could not hold excessive waters during heavy rains.

Consecutive days of heavy rain had caused two rivers in Gorontalo city, the capital of the province, over-flowed and submerged the city, provincial secretary

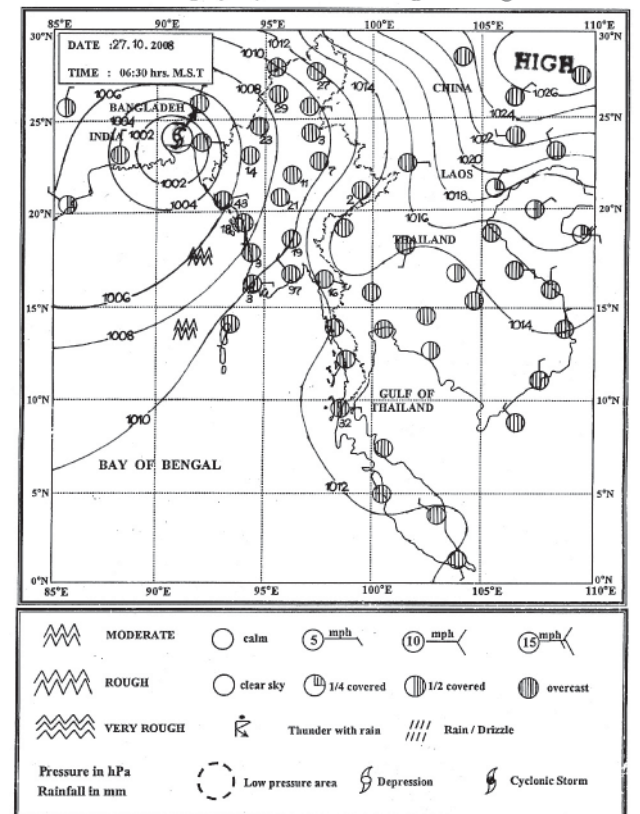
Nurdin Mokoginta said.

The flood that started Saturday had led the people gradually left their homes for the higher places, he said. “Now, the total residence taking shelters reaches about 2,000,” he told Xinhua on telephone from the province.

The secretary said that the number was expected to rise should the rain come again. “Many of them go to school buildings, market and other public buildings,” said Mokoginta.

MNA/Xinhua

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



## WEATHER

Monday, 27 October, 2008

**Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST:** During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been fairly widespread in Rakhine and Kayah States, Magway Division and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with locally heavy fall in Yangon Division. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Tatgone) (0.87) inch, Nay Pyi Taw (Thapyaygone) (0.79) inch, Nay Pyi Taw (Lewe) (0.75) inch, Nay Pyi Taw (Yezin) (0.71) inch, Yangon (Kaba-Aye) (3.82) inches, Yangon (Central) (3.58) inches, Yangon (Mingaladon) (2.44) inches, Maungdaw (2.36) inches and Sittway (1.69) inches.

Maximum temperature on 26-10-2008 was 79°F. Minimum temperature on 27-10-2008 was 67°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 27-10-2008 was 100%. Total sunshine hours on 26-10-2008 was (Nil) approx.

Rainfall on 27-10-2008 was (2.44) inches at Mingaladon, (3.82) inches at Kaba-Aye and (3.58) inches at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2008 was (107.24) inches at Mingaladon, (118.82) inches at Kaba-Aye and (137.28) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (6) mph from Southwest at (12:30) hours MST on 26-10-2008.

**Bay inference:** Yesterday's depression over West Central Bay has moved Northeast wards and further intensified into Cyclonic Storm (RASHMI) in yesterday night. According to the observation at (10:00) hrs MST today, the Cyclonic Storm has crossed the Coast between India and Bangladesh weaken into a land depression. It is forecast to move Northeast wards and weaken during the next 24 (hours). Weather is cloudy in the Andaman Sea, East Central Bay, South Bay and partly cloudy elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

**Forecast valid until evening of 28<sup>th</sup> October 2008:** Rain or thundershowers will be fairly widespread to widespread in Kachin, Shan, Rakhine and Mon States, Bago, Yangon, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Divisions and scattered in the remaining States and Divisions with likelihood of isolated heavyfalls in Yangon and Ayeyawady Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

**State of the sea:** Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at time off along Myanmar Coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35) to (40) mph.

**Outlook for subsequent two days:** Continuation of rain or thundershowers in the Lower Myanmar areas.

**Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 28-10-2008:** Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

**Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 28-10-2008:** Some rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

**Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 28-10-2008:** Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).



Tuesday, 28 October  
View on today

7:00 am

1. တောင်တန်းဆရာတော်  
ဘုရားကြီး၏ပရိတ်တရားတော်

7:20 am

2. To be healthy exercise

7:30 am

3. Morning news

7:40 am

4. Nice and sweet song

7:50 am

5. အတီးဖြိုင်ပွဲ

8:05 am

6. Song of yesteryears

8:15 am

7. အဆိုဖြိုင်ပွဲ

8:30 am

8. International news

8:40 am

9. “မျှော်သူမမောစေချင်”

(စိုးသီဟ၊ ဆုပန်ထွာ၊

နန်းကလျာလှိုင်)

(ဒါရိုက်တာ-စောစန္ဒာလှိုင်)

2:50 pm

1. ၂၀၀၈ခုနှစ် (၂၄) ကြိမ်မြောက်

တပ်မတော်ကကွယ်ရေး

ဦးစီးချုပ်ဖလား၊ အသက်(၂၁)

နှစ်နှင့်အောက်တပ်မတော်

(ကြည်း၊ရေ၊လေ)ဘောလုံးဖြိုင်ပွဲ

(အကြွေခိုလ်လှပွဲ)

မြောက်ပိုင်းတိုင်းစစ်ဌာနချုပ်

အသင်းနှင့်ကာကွယ်ရေးဝန်ကြီး

ဌာနစခန်းရုံးအသင်း

4:45 pm

2. အဆေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး

ရပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ

ဒုတိယနှစ် (သတ္တဗေဒအထူးပြု)

(သတ္တဗေဒ)

5:00 pm

3. Song to uphold

national spirit

5:10 pm

4. Dance of national

races

5:20 pm

5. Sing and enjoy

6:00 pm

6. Evening news

6:30 pm

7. Weather report

6:35 pm

8. ကြယ်ပွင့်များရဲရင့်စွာ

6:55 pm

9. သုတစုံလင်ရွှေညက်ရှင်

7:00 pm

10. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ

“စူပါမင်းနှင့်မာနရှင်”

(အပိုင်း-၂)

8:00 pm

11. News

12. International news

13. Weather report

14. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ

“မျက်ဝန်းရိပ်”(အပိုင်း-၂၂)

15. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော်

ဘုရားကြီး၏အရပ်ဆယ်မျက်

နာမေတ္တာဘာဝနာပွားများခြင်း

တရားတော်

R 489 Published by the News and Periodicals Enterprise, Ministry of Information, Union of Myanmar. Edited and printed at The New Light of Myanmar Press, No 22/30 Strand Road at 43rd Street, Yangon. Cable Newlight, PO Box No. 43, Telephones: Editors 392308, Manager 392226, Circulation 392304, Advertisement 392223, Accounts 392224, Administration 392225, Production/Press 392369



## General Thura Shwe Mann welcomes Chinese goodwill delegation

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Oct—A Chinese delegation led by Deputy Chief of General Staff General Zhang Li of the People's Liberation Army of the People's Republic of China arrived here by special flight this morning to pay a goodwill visit to the Union of Myanmar at the invitation of Member of the State Peace and Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann of the Ministry of Defence.

The visiting Chinese goodwill delegation was welcomed by Member of the State Peace and Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann of the Ministry of Defence, Military Affairs Security Chief Lt-Gen Ye Myint, Com-

mander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Maj-Gen Wai Lwin and senior military officers at the Nay Pyi Taw Airport.

Next, General Thura Shwe Mann and party cordially greeted the visiting Chinese goodwill delegation members. Afterwards, Deputy Chief of General Staff General Zhang Li of Chinese People's Liberation Army cordially greeted the welcoming party.—MNA

*General Thura Shwe Mann welcomes General Zhang Li of People's Liberation Army of PRC.—MNA*



## Voices of Labutta dwellers about restoration of their businesses

*Article by Maung Maung Htwe*

I had conducted interviews with some local farmers and fishermen of Labutta Township in Ayeyawady Division from 16 to 21 October 2008 to present their living conditions for public information.

When asked about his business and living conditions, U Aung Myat of Kyakhmaw model village said, "I have a 26-acre land and I grow Hsinthwelat, Manawthukha, Pawhsanyin and Hnankar strains of paddy in it. The government has provided me with 25 baskets of paddy seeds, 12 bags of fertilizer, a Leya-22 brand power-tiller, fuel and pesticides. I lost my draught cattle in the storm. Now I have got a power-tiller, and it is more convenient for me to plough my fields with it than

with cattle. I grow more paddy this year than previous years, and about 95 per cent of it is successful. The government and local and foreign organizations have provided me with relief supplies including rice, edible oil and beans and pulses that are adequate for me to have till the completion of the harrowing of my fields. I have not run out of the provisions yet. Paddy will be in season in the end of this month. Regarding the growing of paddy, there is no difference between in the past and at present. Kyaukhmaw Village-tract has more than 40,000 acres of paddy fields, and as you see, all the paddy fields here are thriving."

(See page 7)



*Some fishermen in the Yway River in Labutta.*

## Storm news

YANGON, 27 Oct—According to the observation at 10 a.m today, Cyclone Rashmi occurred in the mid-west of Bay of Bengal moved to the northeastward and then entered the inland of Bangladesh after crossing India and near the border of Bangladesh and it is expected to dissipate within 24 hours while moving to northeastward.

Due to the storm, rains are likely to be widespread in Kachin and Chin States and upper Sagaing Division within next 24 hours.

Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely along Myanmar coast and offshore areas. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach 35 to 40 mph.

MNA

## Bumblebees Learn The Sweet Smell Of Foraging Success

LONDON, 27 Oct—Bumblebees use flower scent to guide their nest-mates to good food sources, according to scientists from Queen Mary, University of London.

For any animal, finding food on its own can be time consuming and inefficient; social animals such as bees reduce these problems by informing their peers of plentiful sites, and 'recruiting'

them to the search.

Honeybees use their waggle-dance to tell nest-mates the distance and direction of a food source. But bumblebees can't communicate geographical information in this way; instead, they release a recruitment pheromone in the nest to encourage their colleagues to venture out in search of food. But where should they look?

Internet

