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Stability of State, national economic development, building of human resources basic requirements to build new modern nation Head of State Senior General Than Shwe attends opening ceremony of Myanmar and International Studies Course No 6, Special Refresher Course No 7



USDA Patron Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe addresses opening of Myanmar and International Studies Course No 6 and Special Refresher Course No 7 at Pyidaungsu Hall of USDA Training Centre in Hmawby Township.—MNA

Excerpts from Senior General Than Shwe's address

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- * Now, various courses are being conducted to help the youths possess concepts in carrying out nation-building tasks and national defence duties with national outlook
- * The State regards the new generation youths as human resources indispensable for the nation
- * Short-term plans are being laid down and implemented with the strength of internal forces, while infrastructures are being built.
- * The third five-year short-term national economic plan from 2001-2002 to 2005-2006 is being implemented at present for continued development of the national economy.
- * Because of the rise in the demand of the increasing number of industries and economic enterprises, the electricity supply nationwide reached over 5,000 million kilowatt hours in 2002-2003, up from over 2,000 million kilowatt hours in 1988.



YANGON, 9 June—Patron of the Union Solidarity and Development Association Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Service Senior General Than Shwe attended the opening of Myanmar and International Studies Course No 6 and Special Refresher Course No 7 at Pyidaungsu Hall of the USDA Training Centre in Hmawby Township, Yangon Division, this morning.

Also present on the occasion were Patron of the USDA 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, Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt, member of the State Peace and Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann, Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Soe Win, members of the State Peace and Development Council, the Commander-in-Chief (Navy), the Commander-in-Chief (Air), ministers, members of the Central Panel of Patrons of the USDA, USDA CEC members, deputy ministers, senior military officers, departmental heads, guests, course in charge Lt-Col Khin Win, course instructors and trainees.

Senior General Than Shwe in his address said that Myanmar and International Studies Course No 6 and Special Refresher Course No 7 were opened today.

The trainees are those who are taking responsibilities for the sectors of national economic development, human resource development and new generation youths.

The trainees will have to study the subjects such as

national politics, Myanmar history, national defence and security, advancements and changes of the State's political, economic and social affairs, and international relations. Since its birth, the USDA has been making contributions towards tasks for emergence of a peaceful, modern and developed nation as well as training and nurturing the youths capable of brilliantly undertaking national duties. Now, various courses are being conducted to help the youths possess concepts in carrying out nation-building tasks and national defence duties with national outlook. The USDA has conducted courses on national culture and moral education, and proficiency courses for ten years. Over 2 million youths attended various courses opened in 2004 summer.

The State regards the new generation youths as human resources indispensable for the nation, and so their national and political outlooks, patriotism and Union Spirit play a vital role.

According to the programme of the course, Myanmar affairs consists of four parts — Myanmar traditional administrative system before the colonialists' aggressive wars; Myanmar affairs under the servitude of the colonialists; Myanmar affairs after regaining of the independence; and review of current Myanmar affairs.

In the course of Myanmar history, the First Myanmar Empire in Bagan era, the Second Myanmar Empire in Toungoo era, and the Third Myanmar Empire in Konbaung era were established. Myanmar was capable of standing as an independent and sovereign nation after establishing

a strong nation for three times. In the 19th Century, the colonialists occupied the country through three aggressive wars, resulting in the loss of the nation's sovereignty.

Starting from the time when the nation fell under servitude, Myanmar traditional administrative system was changed. A careful analysis of Myanmar affairs at the time when the nation was under the colonialists will reveal that the nation was suffering from suppression, exploitation and divide-and-rule policy. The country again suffered the evil legacy of the colonialists in the post-independence period. However, the entire people made collaborative and combined endeavours with a view to throwing off the servitude, restoring the sovereignty and building up a strong nation. As a consequence, Myanmar regained her independence and could stand again as a sovereign nation in 1948. But, before long there was a growing disunity due to the sectarianism among the leaders who had taken part in the independence struggle as well as among the national people, leading to disintegration of national solidarity. Instead of establishing a sovereign nation in the post-independence period, the national peoples fought each other for various reasons. The entire people were convinced that this was indeed a testament to the evil legacy of the colonialism. As a result, the political stability and the nation's security deteriorated and thus led to loss of national solidarity and peace. And the nation's status fell, and it became a least developed nation if compared with its neighbours.

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PERSPECTIVES

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Put more energies into health care services

The Government has been systematically implementing the national health plans for the uplift of health and fitness of the entire nation. In doing so, priority has been given to the scope and quality of health care services for improving the national health standard.

The Government has been spending more and more to provide health care services to the public on a wider scale by building new clinics, rural health care centres and hospitals and upgrading the existing hospitals according to the requirements of each and every region.

Now, 16-bed hospitals in most of the townships have been upgraded to 25-bed facilities and all hospitals in States, Divisions and Special Development Regions have been extended so that they can give treatments to 200 in-patients. Moreover, it is necessary to take measures to be able to provide health care services according to the geographical and climatic conditions of respective regions.

The 40th meeting of the National Health Committee was held at the meeting hall of the committee at the Ministry of Health on 6 June and it was attended by Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt, who is also Chairman of the National Health Committee. In his address at the meeting, the Prime Minister urged all the responsible personnel in the health sector to take systematic measures to be able to provide health care services on a wider scale and to perform their duty energetically and with goodwill.

It is an enormous task to improve the scope and quality of health care services. To do so, the Government is having modern equipment installed at hospitals and specialist hospitals. At the same time, it is making arrangements to turn out more and more highly-qualified health staff. Therefore, the scope of health care services is becoming wider and wider.

We would like to call on all those responsible to put their energies into their work and carry out their duty with goodwill to be able to provide health care services to entire national people living across the Union of Myanmar.

CRCS donate cash for Rakhine State storm victims

YANGON, 9 June — Chinese Red Cross Society today donated cash to relief funds of storm victims in Rakhine State through the Myanmar Red Cross Society at the meeting hall of MRCS here.

MRCS Acting President Dr Tun Sein accepted US\$ 20,000 presented by Charge d'Affaires Mr Yu Boren of the Embassy of the People's Republic of China to Myanmar. Dr Tun Sein presented a certificate of honour to Mr Yu Boren.

MNA



Myanmar riding team arrived back by air on 8 June evening winning 3 gold, 2 silver, 2 bronze and 1 honorary award after taking part in the Malaysian National Horse Show (2004) in Penang, Malaysia. The team led by U Nyein Kyaw seen on arrival at Yangon International Airport. — (H)

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



Lt-Gen Aung Htwe inspects the Thetaung bypass between Hsenwi-Kunlong road. — MNA

Lt-Gen Aung Htwe inspects agriculture, construction in Hsenwi

YANGON, 9 June — Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Aung Htwe, accompanied by Chairman of Shan State (North) Peace and Development Council Commander of North-East Command Maj-Gen Myint Hlaing, officials of the State Peace and Development Council Office and departmental officials, inspected highland cultivation areas of local people along Lashio-Hsenwi Road on 7 June. In the briefing hall of 100-acre Mongli highland farm of Hsenwi Station, Brig-Gen Soe Oo of local station reported on cultivation of lemon grass and requirements. Commander Maj-Gen Myint Hlaing reported on assistance of heavy machinery for Myanmar Agriculture Service. Lt-Gen Aung Htwe attended to their needs. Next, Lt-Gen Aung Htwe met war veterans. He presented gifts to the war veterans and Chairman of Mongli Model Village U Sai Ba Htay. Lt-Gen Aung Htwe inspected rural houses of the war veterans and agriculture and livestock breeding on a manageable scale in Mongli Model Village. The Commander reported on assistance for water supply and agriculture tasks. With the assistance of North-East Command, 14 rural houses worth K 500,000 each were built for the war veterans in Mongli Model Village. And, arrangements are being made for building two-unit apartments. They inspected the rural health care unit and middle school in the village.

At Hsinshweli strain of 50 acres of summer paddy of Hsenwi Station, Brig-Gen Soe Oo of the local station and officials reported on 140 baskets of paddy yield per acre, completion of summer paddy and preparations for monsoon paddy. Lt-Gen Aung Htwe inspected summer paddy plantations and harvesting works. A total of 160 acres of summer paddy were cultivated in Hsenwi Township and paddy yield 150 baskets per acre.

On arrival at Thetaung bypass construction site between Hsenwi-Kunlong section of Hsenwi-Kunlong-Hopang-Mongmao Road, the commander reported that the Head of State gave guidance to build Thetaung bypass leading to Nati region based on the old road from Holi to Kanmein because of occurring landslide of the sand bank area on Hsenwi-Kunlong Road between mile posts 39 and 43 annually. Therefore, the team comprising Tatmadawmen and employees led by the Superintending Engineer of Public Works conducted the survey tasks on Thetaung bypass and are building a 30-mile long Nati-Kanmein-Holi Road. Shan State (North) Superintending Engineer U Kyaw Min Thein reported on completion of the road from Nati to Kanmein regions. Next, Lt-Gen Aung Htwe and party inspected Nati-Kanmein-Holi Road. At mile post 4/7, he gave instructions on construction of View Point area. Afterwards, Lt-Gen Aung Htwe and party

arrived Kanmein Village at milepost No 16. Members of township and village Peace and Development Councils, local people and students welcomed them. Next, Lt-Gen Aung Htwe inaugurated the 16-mile-long and 40-foot-wide earthen road linking Nati and Kanmein and planted a pine to mark the successful completion of the first phase of the road. Commander Maj-Gen Myint Hlaing also planted a pine. Next, local national races presented prizes to Lt-Gen Aung Htwe, Maj-Gen Myint Hlaing and party. Lt-Gen Aung Htwe presented a TV set for Kanmein Basic Education High School through the officials. Afterwards, Lt-Gen Aung Htwe and party had a documentary photos taken together with local people. On completion of the Nati-Kanmein earthen Road, local people can easily access to Lashio. Nati-Kanmein-Holi Thetaung bypass is about 30 miles long. Nati-Kunlong route is 20 miles long. Now, regional development tasks are being implemented with added momentum in the region. Lt-Gen Aung Htwe and party inspected the construction of 40-foot-wide earthen road at milepost 16/1 in Kanmein-Holi road section. Next, Lt-Gen Aung Htwe gave instructions on extension of road to Kanmein Village, and construction of new bridges on the Thetaung bypass. He also urged the officials to make efforts for timely completion of the construction work meeting the set standard and work site safety. Later, Lt-Gen Aung Htwe, Maj-Gen Myint Hlaing and party went to Kunlong. Lt-Gen Aung Htwe met with families of officers and other ranks at the local battalion. He urged them to carry out agriculture and livestock breeding tasks on manageable scale and gave instructions on matters relating to education and health. Afterwards, Lt-Gen Aung Htwe and party inspected the poppy substitute rubber and crop plantations along Chinshwehaw-Laukkai Road cultivated by local people. Lt-Gen Aung Htwe and party arrived Laukkai in the evening.

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POEM:

Tie the knot of amity

- * In our home the Golden Land
- Without dependency, without shadow cast
- Like blossoms together, branches entwined
- Strong branches overlapping, whole tree straight
- No parasites entering, free of germs
- Reasoning power, always alert
- The knowledgeable in concert ...
- * Fair and just, let there be freedom
- With equanimity for perpetuity
- With the inner strength of Union citizens
- To make decisions at Convention
- The Constitution of our land
- Like the rising sun, it shall be shining
- Patriotism untarnished
- With noble hearts; of everyone
- Tie the knot of amity.

Min Yin Su (Trs)

(Hailing the National Convention in progress)

Entertainment to NC delegates

YANGON, 9 June — The Entertainment and Welfare Subcommittee of the National Convention Convening Management Committee organizes entertainment programmes for the NC delegates at 7 pm yesterday at the gymnasium of Nyaughnapin Camp. The film entitled "Nya Mintha" (Prince of Night) directed by Meepwar and starred by Yan Aung and Tun Eindra Bo was shown. — MNA

Work co-ordination meeting held

YANGON, 9 June — The fourth work co-ordination meeting of the legal study and proposal group of the Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation and was held at the Office of Attorney-General here this afternoon. It was attended by MWAFF General Secretary Daw Khin Aye Win, Secretary Dr Daw San Shwe, Advisers Daw Khin Mya Mya, Daw Tin Htay Hlaing, Daw Aye Khaing, Daw Khin Win and members. — MNA

825 US troops killed since beginning of military operations in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 8 June—As of Tuesday, 8 June 825 US service members have died since the beginning of military operations in Iraq in March 2003, according to the Defence Department. Of those, 607 died as a result of hostile action and 218 died of non-hostile causes.

The British military has reported 58 deaths; Italy, 18; Spain, eight; Bulgaria and Poland, six each; Ukraine, four; Slovakia three; others, two; Denmark, El Salvador, Estonia, Latvia and the Netherlands have reported one each.

Since May 1, 2003, when President Bush declared that major combat operations in Iraq had ended, 687 US soldiers have died — 498 as a result of hostile action and 189 of non-hostile causes, according to the military's numbers as of Tuesday.

Since the start of US military operations in Iraq, 5,013 US service members have been wounded in hostile action, according to the Defence Department's weekly tally.

The latest deaths reported by the US military:

—A Marine was killed Monday while on patrol in Anbar province.

—A US soldier was killed and 10 US soldiers were wounded Tuesday by a car bomb in Baquba, Iraq.

The latest identifications reported by the military:

—Army Sgt Jamie A Gray, 29, Montpelier, Vt. died Monday in Scania, Iraq, when his military vehicle hit a roadside bomb; assigned to Army National Guards Headquarters, Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 86th Field Artillery, Williston, Vt.

Internet

Car bombings rock northern Iraq cities

MOSUL, 8 June—Two suicide car bombs killed at least 12 people, including a US soldier, and wounded at least 50 people north of Baghdad on Tuesday in Iraq's Sunni Muslim heartland, one of the breeding grounds of the country's deadly insurgency.

The attacks targeted Iraqi workers outside a US military base in Baquba and local officials in Mosul.

Elsewhere, six coalition soldiers—two Poles, three Slovaks and a Latvian—were killed in an explosion while defusing mines in Suwayrah, 40 kilometres, or 25 miles, south of Baghdad, the authorities said. The Slovaks and the Latvians were the first ones from either of the two countries to be killed in Iraq, Polish officials said in Warsaw.

One of the car bombs blew up as a convoy of provincial council members passed by in Mosul. The council members escaped injury, officials said.

In the other attack, a suicide attacker detonated a car bomb during rush hour outside the American forward operating base War Horse in Baquba, about 50 kilometres northeast of Baghdad.

At least five Iraqis and one American soldier were killed, the US military and police said. Fifteen Iraqis and 10 American soldiers were wounded while standing at a security checkpoint. The

bombings are the latest in a series of attacks on US forces and their allies in the countdown to the handover of sovereignty in Iraq on 30 June.

The new Iraqi interim government has made security its top priority as it assumes more responsibility for running the country. The new prime minister, Iyad Alawi, announced an agreement on Monday by nine political parties to dissolve their militias, integrating some of their 102,000 fighters into the army and police

and pensioning off the rest.

The plan does not cover the most important militia fighting coalition forces—the Mahdi Army of the radical cleric Moktada al-Sadr—or smaller groups that have sprouted across the country since the collapse of Saddam Hussein's regime in April 2003. Those groups will now be considered illegal.

In the latest unrest, a suicide car bomb exploded as Iraqis lined up for work at the US military base in Baquba.—Internet

Jordan's King to participate in G-8 summit

AMMAN, 8 June—Jordan's King Abdullah will participate in the G-8 summit, which will be held in United States later this week, State Minister and Government Spokesperson Asma Khader announced here Monday.

Khader told a Press conference that Jordan interest in the King's presence at the summit stems from the fact that the King carries the Arab vision and aspirations, particularly with regard to affirming that the aspired for reform in the Arab world cannot be imposed from outside and should come from within.

The spokesperson noted that Jordan also worked towards ensuring the independence of the judiciary, Press freedoms and the rights of women.—MNA/Xinhua



UN Security Council gives unanimous approval to Iraq resolution

UNITED NATIONS, 8 June—The UN Security Council has given unanimous approval to an Iraq resolution.

It dictates the powers and limitations of the new Iraqi interim government after it assumes power June 30. The resolution essentially legitimizes the incoming government.

The draft — backed by the United States and Britain

— was revised four times over the past week before it won full backing.

The Iraqi Foreign Minister says the vote is significant because it takes away "the concept of occupation," which he says is the root of many of Iraq's problems.

The resolution gives the interim government more standing in seeking help from major powers who were opposed to the war, such as France and Germany. It also puts it in a better position to negotiate with Arab countries.—Internet

Key points in the UN resolution on Iraq

BAGHDAD, 8 June—Key points and changes in the text of the UN resolution on Iraq that was approved Tuesday. The United States and Britain submitted the original draft on 24 May and revised it four times.

—The original draft reaffirmed the authorization for the multinational force under unified command from a Security Council resolution adopted last year. The final draft adds that the foreign troops are there at "at the request of the incoming interim government of Iraq."

—The final draft adds language welcoming letters from Iraq's interim Prime Minister Iyad Allawi and Secretary of State Colin Powell spelling out "a security partnership"

between the new Iraqi government and the US-led force. It states that new consultative bodies will be used "to reach agreement on the full range of fundamental security and policy issues, including policy on sensitive offensive operations."

—The final draft includes new language stating that the Iraqi government will control its own troops and can veto Iraqi participation in operations by the multinational force.

—The initial draft stated

that the mandate for the multinational force would be reviewed after 12 months or at the request of the transitional government that will take power early next year — but it gave no deadline for the force's mandate to end. The final draft adds that the mandate will expire after elections to be held by 31 Dec., 2005 under a new constitution. It also declares that the council "will terminate this mandate earlier if requested by the government of Iraq."—Internet



A British soldier talks to an Iraqi man during a patrol through an alley way in the southern city of Basra. British military police are investigating far more complaints against the country's troops in Iraq on 7 June 2004 than first thought, with 75 reported incidents being looked into, the Ministry of Defence said.

INTERNET

ASEAN, APEC meetings in Manila to focus on energy security

MANILA, 8 June—Energy security is the top agenda of meetings of senior energy officials from the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) and its Pacific rim trading partners as they began Monday a series of conferences in Manila.

"Energy security is the main concern," which includes protecting the vital sector from terror attacks and volatile oil prices that have surged to record highs in recent weeks, Philippine Energy Secretary Vincent Perez said at a Press conference.

Likewise, energy security would involve diversifying sources of energy, tapping renewable sources, and expanding the various ways of transporting fuel, he added.

Among the possible solutions is oil stockpiling although Northeast Asian countries may call for national oil stockpiles while Southeast Asian countries may seek a regional stockpile, said Perez, who is hosting the energy conferences of ASEAN and the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)

forum. He conceded that "terrorist attacks (in the Middle East) are the ones affecting the price of oil", prompting a search for other energy sources outside of the volatile region. However, Perez said ASEAN officials would focus on "a broader perspective" than the terrorist threat.

"We don't want to focus on terrorism. For us, we're dealing with ASEAN countries and... by being more integrated as a region, we feel we can improve our own energy security. It implies therefore that we will rely less on sources of fuel outside the region," he said.

ASEAN senior energy officials started the first meeting Monday, to be followed on Wednesday by a meeting of ASEAN energy ministers, the energy department said.

MNA/Xinhua

The suspension pod of a vehicle used in a car bomb leans against the fence of a US military base in Baquba. Two suicide car bombs killed 12 people, including a US soldier, and wounded 68 people north of Baghdad in Iraq's Sunni Muslim heartland.

INTERNET



Six troops among 29 dead in Iraq

MOSUL, 9 June—Twelve Iraqis including one US soldier were killed and 68 were wounded in two separate suicide car bombings in Mosul and Baquba, while six troops were killed while clearing mines in Polish run zone on Tuesday.

Another 11 Iraqis were killed in clashes with US troops in Fallujah, hospital sources said.

Witnesses said heavy clashes broke out in Karma after insurgents attacked a US military convoy using mortars, rocket-propelled grenades and automatic weapons.

They said at least two US military vehicles had been damaged and troops had cordoned off the area, but it was not clear whether there were any American casualties.

Ten people were killed and 37 were wounded when

a suicide car bomb and a roadside bomb targeting local officials exploded simultaneously in Mosul, police, US military and medical sources said.

"A car bomb and a roadside bomb exploded as Major General Sammi al-Haj Issa's nine-car convoy passed by," said police Brigadier General Adnan Obeidi in Mosul.

Gen Issa, who is chief of the city's security committee, was slightly wounded by the blasts which struck the convoy as it passed the city hall and a school in cen-

tral Mosul, said Brig Obeidi.

Another suicide car bomb outside the main US military base in Baquba killed one US soldier and one Iraqi and wounded 31.

"We were waiting to enter when a small red car drove up behind a truck. It pulled up to the entrance when there was a strong explosion and fire," said an eyewitness Yahiyah Hadi.

The bomber was thought to be dead.

A Polish military spokesman said on Tuesday that six soldiers were killed clearing mines in the Polish-run oc-

cupation zone in Iraq.

"During a de-mining operation an accidental explosion killed five coalition soldiers: two Poles, three Slovaks and one Latvian," said Colonel Zdzislaw Gnatowski, spokesman for Poland's general staff. Gnatowski said several other soldiers were injured.

Attacks on Iraq's vital oil pipeline to Turkey have again halted crude flows, leaving Baghdad unable to sell Kirkuk oil for several more weeks, a source at state oil marketer SOMO said on Tuesday.—*Internet*



US Marines from the 2nd Battalion of 1st Marine Division run after an RPG (rocket propelled grenade) came close to hitting one of their Humvee vehicles, on the highway connecting Amman and Baghdad, near Fallujah, on 8 June, 2004. — INTERNET

Soldiers from Europe killed in Iraq accident

BAGHDAD, 6 June—Six soldiers from Poland, Latvia and Slovakia were killed in Iraq yesterday in an explosion at a munitions dump while defusing old mines and bombs, but government officials from all countries involved said it should not affect their mission providing postwar security.

One Latvian and three Slovakian soldiers were killed in the explosion, the first deaths from either of the two countries in Iraq, Polish army spokesman Colonel Zdzislaw Gnatowski said.

Two Polish soldiers were also killed, raising their country's death toll in Iraq to six. One other soldier was injured, a Pole who was in serious but stable condition after undergoing surgery for burns at a Baghdad military hospital, Gnatowski said.

"This is probably the most tragic event in the history of our presence in Iraq," said Polish Prime Minister

Marek Belka. "I extend my sympathy to the families of the victims,"

Still, he said, the incident would not cause Poland to rethink its commitment to Iraq.

"This does not make our presence and mission in Iraq easy," he said. "But we cannot talk of any reaction in terms of the length of our mission."

The explosion occurred as the team of seven multinational sappers were working at around 9 am local time near the city of Suwariyah, southeast of Baghdad, Lieutenant Colonel Robert

Strzelecki, spokesman for the Polish-led international force in Iraq, told *The Associated Press*.

Suwariyah is under the control of Ukrainian troops that belong to the 17-nation stabilization force in south-central Iraq. In Kiev, the defense ministry said no Ukrainians were involved in the blast.

A team including Polish, Slovakian, Latvian and US representatives is investigating the possibility that an unexploded aircraft bomb went off in a truck carrying munitions to be defused, Gnatowski said.—*Internet*

Kuwaiti-Iranian joint committee to discuss commercial ties

KUWAIT CITY, 8 June—The Kuwaiti-Iranian joint committee will discuss during its seventh meeting ways to boost trade exchange and bolster economic and commercial relations, *Kuwait News Agency* reported Monday.

During the three-day meeting starting on Monday, the officials will cover issues related to boosting trade exchange, as well as setting standards and regulations of the Customs agreement, the Undersecretary of the ministry Rasheed Al-Tabtabai was quoted as saying.

A senior official of Iranian delegation stressed the importance of cooperation between the private sectors of the two countries, the report said.

It is the duty of the ministries in Kuwait and Iran to provide facilities for the private sectors and to remove any obstacles that hinder development in that area, the official said, adding that the amount of trade exchange between the two countries in 2003 was over 180 million US dollars.

The Kuwaiti-Iranian joint committee was formed under an agreement signed in 1995 and aims to strengthen economic relations between the two countries. — *MNA/Xinhua*

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Clearwater security worker killed in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 8 June—Chris Neidrich was scheduled to fly home after six months in Iraq but volunteered to stay behind to help train some civilian security replacements.

The decision cost him his life.

Neidrich, 31, a Clearwater resident who worked for the large private security contractor Blackwater USA, was killed Saturday with three other Blackwater employees after their two-vehicle convoy was attacked on the road to the Baghdad airport.

Neidrich worked for Critical Intervention Services of Clearwater, which provides security services. Neidrich was on loan to Blackwater, said KC Poulin, President of CIS.

Neidrich is believed to be the first combat fatality among private security contractors from the Tampa Bay area, Poulin said.—*Internet*

UN chief hails adoption of Iraq resolution

UNITED NATIONS, 9 June—United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan hailed the unanimous vote of the UN Security Council on Tuesday for a resolution on the future of Iraq after the end of the US-British occupation on 30 June.

"I very much welcome this. I think it is a good resolution in itself," Annan told reporters after the vote. "No less important is the fact that it has been adopted unanimously."

"It is a genuine expression of the will of the international community, led by the Security Council, to come together again after last year's divisions and to help the Iraqi people take charge of their own political destiny, in peace and freedom, under a sovereign government of their choosing."

The 15-nation Council adopted the US-British drafted resolution endorsing the newly-formed Iraqi interim government and authorizing the multinational force, mostly US troops, to stay in the country until elections by December 31, 2005.

Annan expressed the hope that security

in Iraq would improve after the 30 June power handover to allow elections to a transitional government to take place by 31 January as scheduled.

He urged the Iraqi people and international community to support the interim government, which will govern the country until after the January elections.

"I also believe that the overwhelming majority of people both inside and outside Iraq will want the interim government to have a fair chance, and will judge it on its performance," he said. "We should all give it whatever help we can."

Meanwhile, Annan reiterated that only when security conditions permit would UN staff return to Iraq to play a leading role as called for by the resolution.— *MNA/Xinhua*

China, Pakistan to promote parliamentary exchanges

ISLAMABAD, 8 June—A 19-member Chinese Parliamentary delegation, led by Li Tieying, Vice-Chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress (NPC) of China, called on Pakistani Chairman of the Senate Muhammad Mian Soomro here on Monday.

During the meeting, matters concerning bilateral relations, the promotion of parliamentary cooperation between the two countries in particular, were discussed.

Extending a warm welcome to Li and members of the delegation, Soomro said that Pakistan and China traditionally enjoy close friendly relations. He said that frequent exchange of

high level visits is an important aspect of Pakistan-China close and friendly relations and that the visit of the delegation would lead to more parliamentary exchanges between the two countries.

Soomro recalled the successful visit of Jia Qinglin, chairman of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC), to Pakistan in

December last year. The Senate chairman also informed the delegation that he would lead a Pakistani delegation to visit China in near future.

He said that Pakistan appreciates Chinese cooperation and valuable assistance in various projects like Pakistan Aeronautical Complex, Kamra, HMC, Taxila, Gwadar Port and Thar Coal Projects. — *MNA/Xinhua*



An Iraqi security man looks inside the remains of a burnt out vehicle following a car bomb and a roadside bomb in the northern city of Mosul. Twelve people were killed and dozens wounded in car bomb attacks in Iraq ahead of a UN vote on a resolution to give international legitimacy to the new interim government in Baghdad on 7 June, 2004. — INTERNET

Pentagon says all Iraq prison abuse papers sent to Senate

WASHINGTON, 9 June—The Pentagon claims it has sent to a Senate committee all documents from the Army investigation into Iraqi prisoner abuses omitted from a report sent earlier to Congress, a senator said on Tuesday.

Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman John Warner said the Army sent a memo on Monday "certifying that the committee now has 'a true and accurate copy' of the report by US Army Major-General Antonio Taguba on the sexual humiliation and physical abuse of Iraqi detainees at Abu Ghraib Prison near Baghdad.

Warner's office declined to describe the latest batch of documents, as lawmakers try to determine whether the abuses were the work of a few rogue soldiers or resulted from policies set higher up the chain of command. The Senate committee, which is leading the congressional probe of US abuses of Iraqi prisoners, has been seeking all of the documents since May 13 after lawmakers realized that some 2,000 pages of legal reviews and other documents were not included in its copy of the report submitted by the Pentagon.

Warner said he also sought additional statements and other documents that were not made a part of the Taguba report.

"I continue to believe that the department is complying in good faith with this request, and will continue to monitor its cooperation on these and other matters connected to our oversight of the prisoner abuse situation," Warner, a Virginia Republican, said in a statement.

The Bush Administration has contended that the abuses—revealed to the world by the news media in graphic photographs of naked prisoners stacked in a pyramid, simulating sex acts, or cowering from guard dogs—were done by a few soldiers who were military police.

Military police officers told Taguba they were acting under orders from intelligence commanders. Seven US Army reservists were charged in the abuses at the prison.

MNA/Reuters

British bank robber returns cash

LONDON, 8 June—A British robber who stole 115,000 pounds in cash from a bank broke back in a week later to give most of it back, police said on Tuesday.

The thief got into the Barclays Bank in east London, smashed a window and helped himself to the cash in the ATM machine.

A week later baffled staff called detectives to say the robber had returned 104,000 pounds.

"We were contacted by staff saying a large amount of cash had been found in a black bag in the premises," a police spokesman said.

Police are probing whether the bizarre double break-in, thought to be unique in Britain, was an inside job, the *Sun* newspaper said.

"We know we offer cashback facilities but we didn't expect anything like this," a Barclays insider told the paper.

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PM says France's stance on Iraqi debt not to change

PARIS, 8 June—French Prime Minister Jean-Pierre Raffarin reiterated Monday France will not change its stance on Iraq's foreign debts until there is a real power transfer to the Iraqis or before the elections in 2005.

Asked whether France will cancel Iraq's debt, Raffarin told French television LCI that his country had made some overtures on Iraq's debt, but in the framework of a real handover of power to the Iraqi people.

"It means that we need a responsible government and that this government can decide on the fate of the forces that are now in Iraq," he added.

"It means that we should organize the democratic elections envisioned at the beginning of 2005, and that there's a certain number of processes following the elections," he said.

French presidential Elysee palace declared last Friday opposition to massive cancellation of Iraqi debt, estimated at 120 billion dollars, despite US pressures.

MNA/Xinhua

Israeli official says Israel, China in good relations

BEIJING, 8 June—Israel and China "have a lot in common" and bilateral relations are good, said an Israeli official here Monday.

Yoav Biran, director-general of the Israeli Foreign Ministry, made the remark at a symposium with Chinese scholars and media. Acknowledging differences between the two countries in terms of size and

population, Biran said both peoples enjoyed rich culture and long history, and the two countries had extensive exchanges in culture, science, agriculture and academia.

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China says new Iraq resolution constitutes a milestone

UNITED NATIONS, 9 June—Chinese Ambassador to the United Nations Wang Guangya said on Tuesday the new UN Security Council resolution will usher in a new, historic turning point in the Iraqi political process and represents a new page in the relationship between the United Nations and Iraq.

Resolution 1546, endorsed unanimously by the Security Council on Tuesday afternoon, constitutes "a milestone that marks an end to the past and a beginning to the future," Wang said in a statement after the adoption of the resolution at an open meeting of the Security Council. The resolution will help promote stability and development in Iraq and further strengthen the authority and role of the

Security Council, he said.

Wang said the resolution endorses the formation of the Iraqi interim government, reaffirms the right of Iraqi people to freely determine their own political future and control their own natural and financial resources, reaffirms the principle of the reassertion of full Iraqi sovereignty, and demonstrates the commitment of the international community to assist the

completion of the Iraqi political process.

Wang said China is convinced that with the end to the occupation and transfer of sovereignty, the Iraqi people will make unremitting efforts to overcome all obstacles in their way to resume the path of peace and development, and make new contributions to regional peace and stability and the advancement of civilization.

MNA/Xinhua



An Iraqi fire fighter tries to extinguish a burning truck carrying tires after a roadside attack on the highway outside of Baghdad, Iraq, on Wednesday, 9 June, 2004. — INTERNET

Russian police seek details on British Council

MOSCOW, 8 June—Russian authorities want the British Council to explain how it makes "big money" in promoting English language and British culture, a top Russian police official said on Monday.

Sergei Vervovkin-Rakhalsky, head of the Interior Ministry's economic and tax crime unit, was speaking weeks after President Vladimir Putin said non-governmental organizations working in Russia were too keen on serving their own interests.

Vervovkin-Rakhalsky told a news conference his unit had already sought additional information from the British Council, a government-funded institution which organizes English language courses and helps publicize British culture.

"We visited the British Council and asked them to provide financial documents about their activity in Russia," he said.

The council, he told reporters, accumulated vast earnings from language tuition but paid no Russian taxes.

"It is incomprehensible how foreign organizations operate and earn big money on Russian territory," he said. "We want to bring our interaction with the British Coun-

cil within a legal framework."

A British Embassy statement confirmed tax police had visited the British Council's Moscow offices last month and diplomats had since discussed matters with Russian officials. "We are surprised and concerned by these actions," the statement said. "We are working to resolve these issues as soon as possible with the relevant authorities."

Both sides, it said, recognized the value of the Council and were working towards concluding an agreement "to provide a new basis for the British Council's range of activities in Russia".

In his annual state of the nation address to Parliament last month, Putin did not point the finger at any one organization.

But some had been "serving dubious groups and commercial interests" and abandoned their goals because they could not "bite the hand that feeds them", he said.

MNA/Reuters

Mexico captures two Tijuana drug cartel bosses

MEXICO CITY, 9 June—Mexico has captured two bosses of the Tijuana drug cartel, both wanted in the United States with two-million-US-dollar bounties on their heads, the government said on Monday, but the gang's leader is still at large.

Efrain Perez and Jorge Aureliano Felix were nabbed on Thursday in a raid in Tijuana, across the border from San Diego, Attorney General Rafael Macedo

said.

He said seven other suspected drug traffickers, including a former police of-

ficer, were also captured. The head of the trafficking gang, Francisco Javier Arellano Felix, remains a fugitive.

MNA/Reuters



US soldiers take positions to help provide security off the side of a road outside Fallujah on 7 June, 2004. — INTERNET



Iraqi doctors attend to an injured Iraqi man at a hospital in Baquba, Iraq, after a car bomb explosion on 8 June, 2004.

Images of Iraq



Shattered glass on the ground outside a US military base after a car bombing in Baquba on 8 June, 2004.



Iraqis crowd around a destroyed car after a US military tank ran over it in northern Baghdad on 8 June, 2004.



Medics tend to a young Iraqi boy injured in the northeastern town of Baquba on 8 June, 2004.



A victim is carried into the local hospital in Baquba following a car bomb attack on 8 June, 2004.



Two car bomb attacks killed 13 Iraqis and a US soldier in Mosul on 8 June, 2004.



Iraqi children climb on a destroyed vehicle after it was hit by a roadside bomb in the northern city of Mosul on 7 June, 2004.



A victim is wheeled into the emergency room of a hospital in Baquba following a car bomb on 8 June, 2004.

New and fast developments throughout Myanmar



Newly built basic education primary school in Mongma village in Shan State (East).
PBANRDA



Saidu Bridge built across Myitha River to link Chin State and Yaw region.
PHOTO: KALAY WIN THU & KYAW THAN SWE



A drilling machine at work to supply potable water to rural people in Myitkyin model village in Mahlaing Township, Mandalay Division. — PBANRDA



Nankon Lake Hydel Power Project in Kehsi Township, Shan State, generates 15 kilowatts of electricity.
PHOTO: YAY CHAN MYINT

Border and rural area developments



Development Affairs Committee in Muse, Shan State (North), constructed Muse Town circular road for better transportation in the region. — MNA



The new building worth K 32 million for post-primary school at Peikswe Village in Twantay Township. — MNA

RFA, a rumour factory

Kyaw Win

(Continue from yesterday)

Compared to the previous many years before 1988, Dalla has significantly developed within a period of 15 years. To make Dalla possess characteristics of a town, the Tatmadaw government instructed departmental directors-general and managing directors in 1989 to form a development committee for Dalla Township and Seikkyi-Khanaungto Township. The committee held monthly meetings and made arrangements and passed resolutions. Department of Human Settlement and Housing Development also removed all of the squatter houses after drawing urban plans and then systematically resettled them in new settlements that were formed in accord with the plans. Taking responsibilities for their respective sectors, other departments also participated in construction and maintenance tasks for the development of Dalla. Accordingly, it has developed, and achieved prosperity, possessing characteristics of a town. Dalla is situated south of Yangon. It is four miles from east to west and 2 miles from north to south. The area is 3.9 square miles. There were only 17 wards in the township and now it has 23 with the population of 83,201 of 13,049 households.

As regards education, there are altogether 30 schools: two BEHSs, four BEMSs and 24 BEPSs. Now, 18,776 students are learning peacefully under the teaching of 417 teachers in the township. Multimedia classrooms have been established at two BEHSs. Myanmar Education Committee Chairman Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt himself formally opened them.

As for the health sector, there are one 25-bed township hospital, one regional health care centre, one rural dispensary, one social welfare dispensary, one traditional medical clinic, one delivery room and 29 private clinics in the township. In cooperation with townsellers, Sports and Physical Education Department opened Bo Teza Playground, a township gymnasium and a tennis court. Bogoyoke Park and Myathida Park were also set up for relaxation and recreation of the residents.

There are 248 monks and 244 novices at 28 monasteries in the township. Among the famous stupas are Shwesayan Zedi in Myoma Ward-3, Myatshintaw Sutaungpye Maha Thingyan Pagoda, Shimpinthalung Pagoda and 21 others. The township has two churches, seven mosques and 14 temples.

Ten social organizations are also contributing to the welfare of townspeople.

There was only Dalla-Twantay tarred road full of potholes before 1988. But now most of the roads and streets in the township have become tarred ones. Yangon City Development Committee, local authorities and towns people are making combined efforts to turn the remaining roads into tarred ones. Now, there have emerged 8.127 miles of tarred roads, 79.166 miles of gravel roads, 1.5 miles of concrete roads, 10 reinforced concrete bridges and two steel bailey bridges. With the smooth transport, local people can travel and trade easily.

Motor vehicles are running daily for the

convenience of the people from the townships of Dalla, Twantay, Kawhmu and Kungyangon and Dedaye, Pyapon and Kyaiklat in Ayeyawady Division. From Dalla to Pansodan Jetty, two ferry boats of Inland Water Transport are running 50 times a day from 5 am to 8 pm daily transporting about 28,950 commuters. Motorized sampans of Ferry Cooperative Societies are also operating there.

For development undertakings of Mokkyun region, the State has constructed jetties on the banks of Yangon and Dalla. And two Ro-Ro ferries from Inland Water Transport are also running daily. On 18 September 1994 a telephone booth with 320 lines was installed and now it has become an auto telephone booth.

Thanks to the efforts of local authorities and people, the township has been enjoying enough drinking water supplies. Under the programme of rural development tasks laid down by the State, ponds have been dug in Dalla to store rain water. And the YCDC sank tube-wells in Kyaikthale Village, Twantay Township, from which concrete pipe lines were connected to Dalla for water supply. In Banyadala Ward in Dalla Township, a water supply camp was established to distribute water to neighbouring wards. That is why the problem of water scarcity has been solved in the township.

Aide Medicare International (AMI), an NGO, based in France has provided 336 hand pumps and 326 rain water storage tanks including an iron-sifting tank and dug 15 ponds in seven wards of the township. Water and environmental sanitation related buildings have also been constructed. AMI not only provides physical needs of the township people but also gives health talks occasionally.

Dalla Township in Yangon South District, the nearest to Yangon, is included in Yangon City municipal areas. To ensure the development of Dalla, Dalla Township Peace and Development Council is making endeavours in cooperation with departmental organizations and towns people under the four major tasks laid down by the State Peace and Development Council.

Well, it is crystal clear that the speculation of columnist U Htein Lin of RFA that Dalla has lagged behind in development is totally wrong and that it has developed in parallel with other townships across the country. Now, a word of warning is given to U Htein Lin not to blindly spread rumours without full knowledge. As a Myanmar citizen, I also want to warn you against manufacturing fabricated news about Myanmar government and its people without analyzing right or wrong.

The Tatmadaw Government and the people have been committed to continued efforts for the emergence of a modern developed nation and the enhancement of national economy and living standards of the people, wiping out all destructive elements.

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Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Khin Maung Win signs Book of Condolences for Late Mr Ronald Reagan, former US President

YANGON, 9 June — Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Khin Maung Win signed the Book of Condolences at the Embassy of the United States of America at 1.30 pm in memory of the late Mr Ronald Reagan, former President of the United States of America.

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Measures for observing World Population Day co-ordinated

YANGON, 9 June — The second meeting to co-ordinate measures for observing the World Population Day on 11 July 2004 was held at the meeting hall of the Population Department here at 1 pm today.

World Population Day Observance Committee Vice-Chairman Deputy Director-General of the Population Department U Myo Min delivered an address at the meeting. The World Population Day commemorative poster competition will be held on 12 July and the essay competition on 13 July at the Ahlon Township Peace and Development Council Office Hall.

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Efficient use of electricity

- * Use daylight as the main source of light
- * Use the least possible amount of electricity only if there is not enough natural light
- * Use the least possible amount of electricity required in production and service enterprises
- * Preventing waste of electricity benefits the user and others

There are about 500,000 households using electricity in Yangon. Thus, saving a four-foot fluorescent lamp everyday by each household amounts to saving power that is equal to the capacity a 20-megawatt power station can supply.

Efficient use of fuel

- * Saving one gallon of fuel per car per month will save the nation one US dollar
- * Thus, a total of 455,822 cars in Myanmar can save US\$ 5.5 million in a year
- * The amount, US \$ 5.5 million, can build a major bridge across Ayeyawady River

All this needs to be known

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

မိုးဦးကျွန်းနှင့် မိုးရာသီတွင်ဖြစ်တတ်သော
ရောဂါများအတွက်နူးအော်ချက်

၁။ မိုးဦးကျွန်းရာသီတွင် အောက်ဖော်ပြပါ ကူးစက်တတ်သောရောဂါများ
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(က) ဝမ်းပျက်ဝမ်းလျှော့နှင့် ကာလဝမ်းရောဂါများအပါအဝင် ဝမ်းနှင့်
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(ခ) သွေးလွန်တုပ်ကွေးနှင့် ငှက်ဖျားရောဂါ

(ဂ) တုပ်ကွေး၊ နှာစေ့ချောင်းဆိုးနှင့် အဆုတ်အဆေးမိရောဂါ

၂။ ဖြစ်ပွားရသည့်အကြောင်းရင်းမှာ-

(က) မိုးဦးကျွန်းရာသီတွင် လွှင့်လှိုင်ပေါ်လာသည့် အမိုးစက်တိပါသော
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(ခ) ရာသီစာအမှည့်လွန်အသီးများကို စားသုံးခြင်း

(ဂ) မိုးရွာပြီးရေတင်ရေဝပ်သဖြင့် ရေအိုင်၊ ရေကန်၊ ရေအိုင်၊
ပိတ်ခြင်းနှင့် ချွန်ယက်ပိတ်ပေါင်းထူထပ်၍ ဖြစ်ပေါက်ပွားခြင်း

(ဃ) ရာသီဥတု အပြောင်းအလဲဖြစ်၍ အပူရပ်ခြင်း၊ အအေးပတ်ခြင်း

(င) ပတ်ဝန်းကျင်သန့်ရှင်းမှုနှင့် တစ်စုံတစ်ရာသန့်ရှင်းမှု နည်းပါးခြင်း

(စ) ကျန်းမာရေးနှင့်ညီညွတ်သည့်ပညာနှင့်အလေ့အကျင့် အားနည်းခြင်း

၃။ အောက်ဖော်ပြပါတို့ကို လိုက်နာကျင့်သုံးခြင်းဖြင့် ဖော်ပြပါ ရောဂါများ
ကူးစက်ပျံ့နှံ့ခြင်းမှ ကာကွယ်တားဆီးနိုင်မည် ဖြစ်ပါသည်။

(က) အမှည့်လွန်အသီးများကို စားသုံးခြင်းမှ ရှောင်ပါ။

(ခ) ယင်းနားစာများကို မဆင်မခြင် စားသုံးခြင်းမှ ရှောင်ပါ။

(ဂ) စားကြွင်းစားကျန် အမှိုက်သရိုက်များနှင့် အညစ်အကြေးများကို
စည်းကမ်းမဲ့ စွန့်ပစ်ခြင်းမှရှောင်ကြဉ်ပါ။

(ဃ) မိသားစုအတွင်းကျန်းမာရေးအသိပညာဖြန့်ဝေပါ၊ လိုက်နာကျင့်သုံးပါ။

(င) တစ်စုံတစ်ရာသန့်ရှင်းရေးကို ရရှိလိုက်နာဆောင်ရွက်ပါ။

(စ) ရေကိုကျိုချက်၍ သောက်ပါ။

(ဆ) လတ်ဆတ်သန့်ရှင်းသည့် အသီးအနှံနှင့် အစားအသောက်များကို
ပူပူနွေးနွေး ချက်ပြုတ်စားသုံးပါ။

(ဇ) ရာသီဥတု အပူအအေး အပြောင်းအလဲကို သတိရှိပါ။

(ဈ) ပတ်ဝန်းကျင်သန့်ရှင်းရေးလုပ်ငန်းနှင့် ဖြစ်နိုင်သမျှ လုပ်ငန်းများ
ကို အမျိုးသားရေးအမြင်ဖြင့် ဝိုင်းဝန်းစုပေါင်းဆောင်ရွက်ပါ။

(ည) ရောဂါတစ်မျိုးဖြစ်ပွားပျံ့နှံ့ပါက ကျန်းမာရေးဌာနသို့ အမြန်သတင်း
ပို့ပါ။

(ဋ) လိုအပ်ပါက နီးစပ်ရာဆေးပေးခန်းဆေးရုံများသို့ အချိန်မီသွားရောက်
ပြသစစ်ဆေးကုသခွင့်ယူပါ။ ကျန်းမာရေးဝန်ကြီးဌာန



Deputy Minister U Khin Maung Win signs the Book of Condolences at the US Embassy. — MNA

Stability of State*...

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After its assumption of the State's duties, the Government adopted the policies suitable for the nation's prevailing conditions and laid foundation for building of a new nation.

It gave the top priority to restoration of peace and stability in the country. Taking lessons from the bitter experiences encountered in the past, the Government firmly practised Our Three Main National Causes as the national policy — non-disintegration of the Union, non-disintegration of national solidarity and perpetuation of the sovereignty.

Besides, it made efforts to ensure prevalence of law and order and restoration of peace and tranquillity in the nation. It also held peace talks with armed groups to terminate the armed conflicts that troubled the nation over forty years. Thus, after building mutual understanding with the Government, 17 armed groups are leading a peaceful life in border areas.

Taking advantage of that improved situation, border areas and national races development project was launched in no time.

Projects for development of economic, social, education, health, transport, and communication sectors, strengthening of closer relations among the national races, security of border areas, prevalence of law and order and peace and tranquillity in the region were implemented with greater momentum after enacting the law for development of border areas and national races. The Ministry for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs has spent over K 56,000 million and over 550 million dollars on these tasks.

When peace and stability had been restored in the country to an extent, national economic plans were launched in order to set itself free from being a least developed country. Economic infrastructures, the main requirement for uplift of national economic life, are being built.

Now, infrastructures for agriculture, the main economy of the State and economic life of rural people, are being built. The government implemented other infrastructures such as motor roads, bridges, railroads, port development tasks, extension and repair of airports with added momentum. Therefore, the nation has begun to possess a better communication network. Transport has become easier and better due to the construction of bridges across rivers and creeks. Efforts are being made for opening of Thanlwin Bridge (Mawlamyine) by the end of 2004 which will be the longest facility in Myanmar on completion. Ensuring easy and speedy transport is a requirement in building a modern nation. So, roads, bridges and new railroads are being constructed. The number of airports has been increased to 27, and of them, 18 can handle landing and taking off of passenger jet aircraft. Stability of the State, national economic development and building of human resources are the basic requirements to build a new modern nation. Thus, the nation at present is in the process of building a new modern nation. Only if the infrastructure is strong, will we be able to develop the national economy. Short-term plans are being laid down and implemented with the strength of internal forces, while infrastructures are being built.

Annual targets of the national economic plans have exceeded, and it is now in the process of implementing the third five-year short-term plan.

The third five-year short-term plan from 2001-2002 to 2005-2006 is being implemented at present for continued development of the national economy. The visions of the plan are: to extend agro-based industries; to extend general basic industries; to develop the electric power and energy sectors in conformity with the industrial progress; to make efforts to ensure local sufficiency and to increase exports in the agricultural and fish and meat sectors; to develop all other sectors; to uplift the health care and education services for human resources development; and for rural development.

As the implementation of the economic plan has gained speed, the State economic structure has started to change for the better. In addition to agriculture, other economic sectors are also developing. There are now 19 industrial zones in the nation, and the number of industries inside and outside the zones has reached 100,000.

Because of the rise in the demand of the increasing number of industries and economic enterprises and the public, the electricity supply nation-wide reached over 5,000 million kilowatt hours in 2002-2003, up from over 2,000 million kilowatt hours in 1988.

To fulfil the power requirements of the growing national economy and developing social economy and life styles, Paunglaung Hydroelectric Power Project, with 280-megawatt capacity, Yeywa Hydroelectric Power Project,



Senior General Than Shwe cordially meets trainees at opening ceremony of Myanmar and International Studies Course No 6 and Special Refresher Course No 7. — MNA

with 780-megawatt capacity, Shweli Hydroelectric Power Project, with 400-megawatt capacity, 11 other projects under construction, and the Tikyit Coal-Fired Power Station, will generate over 11,000 million kilowatt hours, when completed. Thus, beginning this year, efforts are being made for rapid progress of the industrial, power and energy sectors.

The Government is making utmost efforts for development of natural resources and human resources in building infrastructures. If the trainees study the current Myanmar affairs, they will see the efforts to repay the debt of backwardness, a result of the evil legacy of the past, and to make investments for the future.

The work programmes ranging from peace and stability of the nation to fulfilling the fundamental needs of the people have been carried out with the internal strength.

The Government's basic for national development is to ensure an equitable progress in the entire nation. Thus 24 development zones have been set up in the nation to launch development undertakings as necessary. The basic requirements of the rural areas, home to the majority, are being fulfilled.

The Government has been giving priority to the social sector in addition to the political and economic sectors.

The four-year special national education promotion programme is being implemented. Way is being paved in the basic education sector as well as in the higher education sector for progress of the learning opportunities. Basic education schools have been opened all over the nation including the remote border areas and hilly regions. In addition to setting up the 24 development zones, institutions of higher learning have been built to improve the learning opportunities. Teaching of subjects has been expanded and upgraded, and doctorate degrees have been conferred on the successful candidates in arts, science, medical field and technological profession.

Special attention has been given to health and fitness

of the people for human resources development. At present there are 790 hospitals including special hospitals, and 159 new hospitals have been opened, and 125 existing ones have been upgraded.

Seventeen universities have been opened for different branches in the field of medical science, and promoted the teaching of science. Uplift of public health and fitness and education standard is one of the Government's policies. The work programmes to build a new nation are very practical. The policies laid down must be in conformity with the objective conditions of the nation. Peace, stability, modernization and progress must be ensured, while developing all the resources. Peace and stability of the State, the national economic development and human resources development are the most basic factors for flourishing of democratic practices in the future nation. The democratic practices must be developed and strengthened with practical work programmes. A new nation must be built together with the people, while safeguarding them to be safe and free from the bitter experiences they had faced in the past political history. In conclusion, the Bagan Mass Rally, attended by representatives of the whole nation, passed the unanimous decision to make cooperative efforts for the success of the seven-point future policy programme of the nation. Of the seven points, the convening of the National Convention is in progress at present. All must safeguard the nation against anything that may hamper the performance of national duty to build a peaceful, modern and developed nation in accord with our vision. Trainees are to make studies till they clearly see the objective conditions of the nation. Collective efforts should be made to successfully implement the policy programmes with the sense of duty consciousness and responsibility and loyalty to the national cause.

Senior General Than Shwe cordially greeted the trainees, and enjoyed breakfast together with them. Later, he left the USDA training centre. — MNA

Energy Minister inspects oil and gas fields, plants

YANGON, 9 June— Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Lun Thi inspected Kyaukhwet/Letpanto oil and gas field of Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise in Myaung Township, Magway Division, yesterday morning.

After hearing the reports, the minister gave instructions on repair of old wells and drilling of new wells.

At Thagyitaung oil field in Pauk Township, the minister heard reports on drilling of new wells and production of oil and gas. The minister inspected drilling of well No 35. Next, the minister saw over Sabei oil field in Pauk Township.

In the afternoon, the minister inspected preparations for operating

Kyunchaung Liquified Natural Gas Plant in Pakokku Township. The minister gave instructions on supervision for production process and technology, work

site safety and fire prevention. At Kyunchaung Fertilizer Plant, officials reported on operating of the plant and

production tasks. The minister instructed them to manufacture products to meet the target and fulfilled the requirements. — MNA



Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Lun Thi inspects drilling of well No 35 in Thagyitaung oil field in Pauk Township. — ENERGY

Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt ...

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Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Sein Htwa handed over bags of rice, relief items of Red Cross, garments, medicines and personal goods to member-1 of the Township Peace and Development Council Police Captain Tin Htoo and chairmen of Village Peace and Development Councils.

Next, the Prime Minister went to the monastery, north of Kanhtaunggyi Village and donated provisions to Sayadaw Bhaddanta Paññajota and members of the Sangha.

Afterwards, Chairman of National Health Committee Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt and party inspected Kanhtaunggyi Station Hospital where Dr Kyaw Soe Naing of the hospital conducted the Prime Minister and party round the hospital. Next, the Prime Minister gave necessary instructions.

The Prime Minister and party arrived at Myebon where they were welcomed by members of Township Peace and Development Council, departmental officials, social organizations and local people. The Prime Minister met members of Township Peace and Development Council, departmental officials, social organizations and townelders at the meeting hall of Township General Administration Department. Member of Sittway District Peace and Development Council Deputy Commissioner U Tha Nu reported on location and area of the township, target for cultivation of monsoon paddy, rice sufficiency in the region, education and health activities. He also reported on conditions after the storm hit on 19 May, loss of property, damaged departments, basic education schools, dams and prawn breeding farms, loss of fishermen, powered boats and cattle, opening of relief camps, relief supplies, construction of Myebon-Minbya gravel road and Myoma jetty, power and water supply and requirements.

Next, Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Sein Htwa presented bags of rice, relief supplies, clothes, medicines and personal goods for the storm victims to Chairman of Township Peace and Development Council.

The Prime Minister fulfilled the requirements. He said he and party came to fulfil material requirements and to relieve mental pains and sufferings of the national people living in storm-hit townships including Myebon Township.

He said as soon as the chairman of Rakhine State Peace and Development Council commander of Western Command learnt the occurrence of a natural hazard in Rakhine State, he formed necessary committees, and began to carry out systematic rescue operations including distribution of supplies. Moreover, the groups comprising departmental officials led by the Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement and the deputy minister toured the areas affected by the storm and provided necessary assistance to the victims. Similarly, he said, the groups led by the ministers and the deputy ministers of other ministries provided assistance to them. The team comprising the region-in-charge and the minister led by the Prime Minister and ministers visited Rakhine State to give comfort and encouragement to the victims, who are national people.

He said the government immediately provides assistance to the victims whenever there is a disaster in any part of the Union. He said the Union of Myanmar is made up of states and divisions where the national people live. In case of a matter or a natural disaster in any part of the Union, the national people living in other states and divisions help those who encountered difficulties. It is the tradition of the national people. The fact that the cause of national people living in the Union is ours is the essence of the Union Spirit, he said.

He said the government provided immediate requirements to the townships including Myebon. It also fulfilled the requirements on construction of Myebon-Minbya gravel road and Myoma jetty, power and water supply and education and health sectors.

He said township level officials are to carry out relief measures with goodwill and



Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt presents offertories to Sayadaws at Pynnya Beikman Yeiktha monastery in Myebon Township. — MNA



Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt inspects Kanhtaunggyi station hospital in Myebon Township. — MNA

to make efforts for uplift of quality of life of rural people and their socio-economic life in implementation of the five rural development tasks with the help of social organizations. The people on their part are to participate in the development tasks and to work hard for boosting production of agricultural products which are beneficial to them and the State. The Prime Minister and party paid respects to members of the Sangha led by Agga Maha Gandhavacaka Bhaddanta Nanda Kicçayanabhivamsa of Taikkyi Kyaung Sayadaw at Pynnya Beikman Yeiktha Kyaung. They then presented offertories to the members of the Sangha. The Prime Minister and party inspected the development of Myebon Township and greeted local people. The Prime Minister and party went to Sittway and they arrived back here in the evening.—MNA



Lt-Gen Maung Bo meets with officials of departmental personnel and officials of social organizations in Lehnyar Mandaing bridge construction site in Pyigy Mandaing town. — MNA

Lt-Gen Maung Bo tours Kawthoung District

YANGON, 9 June — Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Maung Bo of the Ministry of Defence on 6 June morning met with officials and social organizations in Pyigy-Mandaing Town in Kawthoung District at the briefing hall of the Lehnyar-Mandaing Bridge Construction site. It was attended by Taninthayi Division Peace and Development Council Chairman Commander of the Coastal Region Command Brig-Gen Ohn Myint, Deputy Minister for Construction Brig-Gen Myint Thein, senior military officers, departmental officials and personnel of social organizations. Administration Officer U Thauang Hein reported on facts about the town and cultivation of rice, crops and perennial plants. Next, officials and townelders also reported to Lt-Gen Maung Bo. Next, Lt-Gen Maung Bo made an address. Afterwards, he donated K 1 million for construction of staff quarters of the Health Department in Pyigy-Mandaing.

Later, Lt-Gen Maung Bo and party arrived at oil palm project of Taninthayi Division in Bokpyin Township.

At the briefing hall, a project manager of the Yuzana Co reported on yearly cultivation of oil palm. Next, Lt-Gen Maung Bo gave necessary instructions.

Later, he inspected the Boda wooden bridge between mile post No. 135/4 and 135/5 and gave necessary instructions. Lt-Gen Maung Bo went to Katathuri in Bokpyin Township, Kawthoung District, and met with departmental officials, social organizations and townelders. At the meeting, an official reported on facts about the town.

Afterwards, Lt-Gen Maung Bo, Commander Brig-Gen Ohn Myint and Director of the Health Department Dr Ye Myint presented two bags of potatoes, two bicycles and anti-malarial drugs to service personnel through officials. Lt-Gen Maung Bo and party arrived back Bokpyin in the evening. — MNA

Computer, projector donated to Military Hospital No 2

YANGON, 9 June—The staff families of the Ministry of Finance and Revenue donated a computer set and a projector valued at K 2,0405 million to No 2 Military Hospital (500-bed) at the hospital this afternoon.

The ceremony was attended by Minister for Finance and Revenue Maj-Gen Hla Tun, Deputy Minister Col Hla Thein Swe, Governor of the Central Bank of Myanmar U Kyaw Kyaw Maung, Vice-Governor Col Than Nyein, head of office of the ministry U Ba Htwe Chit, and officials.

The minister explained the purpose of the donation and presented the donations to Col Ye Thway of the hospital, who then presented a certificate of honour and expressed gratitude to him. — MNA



Minister for Finance & Revenue Maj-Gen Hla Tun hands over a computer set and a projector worth over K 2 million to Col Ye Thway. — MNA

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Submission of proposed papers, discussions of panel of chairmen continue

YANGON, 9 June — The delegate group of political parties, the delegate group of national races, the delegate group of workers and the delegate group of other invited persons read out their proposed statements to be submitted to the plenary meeting at designated meeting halls in Nyaungnapin camp, Hmawby Township, today. Similarly, the coordination meeting of the panel of the chairmen of the delegate group of representatives-elect and that of resource persons took place at the respective venues today.

Delegate group of political parties

They held a meeting at 9 am at the meeting room-1. U Saw Philip (a) U Philip Sam of the Wa National Development Party presided over the meeting, while U Khin Maung Phyu, Deputy Director of the working group-3 of the National Convention Convening Work Committee, and Assistant Director Daw Yin Yin Than acted as master and co-master of ceremonies. First, the master of ceremonies announced the start of the meeting with the approval of the chairman as there were 89.66 percent of delegates present at the meeting.

After the opening speech given by the chairman of the meeting, U Tha Ban Aung of Mro (or) Khami National Solidarity Organization read out his group's proposed statement on the sectorwise clarifications made by the NCC Work Committee in connection with detailed basic principles that should be laid down for the distribution of power in legislative, executive and judicial sectors



Discussions between panel of chairmen and proposal compilation group of delegates of national races. — MNA



Group discussions of delegates of other invited persons. — MNA



Group discussions of delegates of political parties in progress. — MNA



Group discussions of delegates of workers in progress. — MNA

that should be included in the framing of the Constitution. The meeting came to an end at 9.35 am with the concluding remarks by the chairman.

Delegate group of representatives-elect

The meeting of the panel of chairmen of the delegate group of representatives-elect and resource persons was held this morning and afternoon at the meeting room-2. On the occasion, the members of the panel of chairman — U San Tha Aung of the Mro (or) Khami National Solidarity Organization, U Maung Gyi of the Union Pa-O National Organization, U Yaw Aye Hla of the Lahu National Development Party, U Law Hsin Kwam of the Kokang Democracy and Unity Party, resource persons who are delegates to the National Convention, Deputy Director U Maung Maung Phyu Tint of the working group-4 of the NCC Work Committee and Assistant Director Daw Tin Tin Nwe discussed matters related to the compilation of papers.

Delegate group of national races

The coordination meeting on paper compilation of the panel of the chairmen of the delegate group of national races and the leaders of paper-compilation groups from 14 states and divisions took place at the meeting room-3 of the Pyidaungsu Hall at 9 am today. Present on the occasion were U Mya Sein of Mandalay Division, U Mahn Ohn Maung of Kayin State, U Kyaw Din (a) U Htay Yei of Kayah State, Duwa Zokdaung of Shan State (North), U Maung Hla (a) U Hla Myint of Taninthayi Division, and leaders of the paper compilation groups from states and divisions. Deputy Director U Thein Tun of the working group-5 of the NCC Work Committee and Assistant Director U Than Tun acted as master and co-master of ceremonies. At the meeting, the leaders of the paper-compilation groups discussed and coordinated mat-

ters related to the sectorwise clarifications made by the NCC Work Committee in connection with detailed basic principles that should be laid down for the distribution of power in legislative, executive and judicial sectors that should be included in the framing of the Constitution. Later, they compiled papers. On the occasion, the proposed statements to be submitted to the plenary meeting were read out. The meeting came to an end in the evening.

Delegate group of workers

The group started their meeting at 12 noon at the meeting room-5. Dr Myo Thant Tin of Yangon Division acted as the alternative chairman and presided over the meeting together with U Kyaw Myo Win of Bago Division and U Bo Thein of Shan State (East) as members. U Zaw Win, Deputy Director of the working group-7 of the NCC Work Committee, and Assistant Director U Aung Win acted as master and co-master of ceremonies. At the outset, the master of ceremonies announced the start of the meeting with the approval of the chairman as all of 48 delegates were present at the meeting. Dr Myo Thant Tin of Yangon Division gave an opening speech on the occasion. U Maran Tan Gwan of Kachin State, Daw Khin Saw Mu of Ayeyawady Division, U Saw Soe Tint of Kayin State, U Kyaw Hsan of Magway Division, U Hla Aye of Yangon Division and U Than Win of Mandalay Division read out papers relevant to the sectorwise clarifications made by the NCC Work Committee in connection with detailed basic principles that should be laid down for the distribution of power in legislative, executive and judicial sectors that should be included in the framing of the Constitution. After seeking the approval from the members of the delegate group of workers for the proposed statement to be submitted to the plenary meeting of the National Convention, the alternative chairman of the meeting ap-

proved the proposal. The meeting came to an end at 3 pm with concluding remarks by the alternative chairman of the meeting.

Delegate group of other invited persons

The group held their meeting at the meeting room-8 at 9 am. Dr Manan Tu Ja of Kachin State Special Region-2 acted as the alternative chairman and presided over the meeting together with U Aung Hkam Hti of Shan State (South) Special Region-6 and Myanmar History Commission Vice-Chairman U Sai Aung Tun as members. Deputy Director of the working group-10 of the NCC Work Committee U Aung Kyi and Assistant Director U Win Myint acted as master and co-master of ceremonies. The master of ceremonies announced the start of the meeting with the approval of the chairman as there were 100 out of 105 delegates, 95.24 percent, attending the meeting. The chairman of the meeting gave an opening speech. U Saw Shwe Tin Oo of the Democratic Kayin Buddhist Association (DKBA) read out the proposed paper submitted by delegates of the DKBA and the Haungthayaw Special Region Group in connection with the sectorwise clarifications made by the NCC Work Committee in connection with detailed basic principles that should be laid down for the distribution of power in legislative, executive and judicial sectors that should be included in the framing of the Constitution. Next, U Aung Hkam Hti read out the proposed letter submitted by the Burma Communist Party (Rakhine) and the Arakanese Army (AA) to the panel of chairmen.

Later, U Zaw Taung of Shan State (North) Special Region-5 and U Maing Ohn Khine of Shan State Special Region-7 read out the proposed papers submitted by Shan State (North) Special Region-3, Shan State (North) Special Region-5 (KDA), Shan State (North) Spe-



Group discussions of delegates of representatives-elect in progress. — MNA

cial Region-7, Kachin State Special Region-1, Kachin State Special Region-2, Kayah State Special Region-1, Kayah State Special Region-2, Kayah State Special Region-3, Kayinni National Progressive Party, KNPP Splinter (Hoya), Shan State Nationalities People's Liberation Organization, New Mon State Party, Shan State National Army, Mon Armed Peace Group (Chaungchi Region). Afterwards, five delegates to the National Convention submitted their proposed papers to the chairman.

U Sai Aung Tun, member of the panel of the chairmen, explained matters related to proposed paper to be submitted to the plenary meeting of the National Convention. The meeting came to an end at 10.30 am with concluding remarks by the alternative chairman. — MNA

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Costa Rica signs agricultural accords with UN

SAN JOSE, 8 June — Costa Rica on Monday signed accords with international organizations on assisting in the development of its agriculture, with an expected 1.5 million US dollars to be funnelled in from the United Nations alone.

The Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations (FAO) was signed to provide the Central American nation with 824, 000 dollars to beef up food security, in addition to 350,000 dollars to help with the country's rural development.

FAO also envisages a donation of 314,000 dollars to be used in enhancing trade in Costa Rica.

The accord on agricultural development, signed in the presence of Costa Rican President Abel Pacheco and several of his Cabinet ministers, will also draw funds and expertise from a bank and a university.

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It is announced that
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daughter of U Soe Kyi and Daw Sein Tin living at
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Township, Yangon, were married on 26-5-2004 in the
presence of the parents from both sides.

**Maung Aung Myo Myint
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Former Costa Rican president elected as new OAS chief

QUITO, 8 June — Former Costa Rican president Miguel Angel Rodriguez was unanimously elected on Monday as secretary general of the Organization of American States (OAS) by foreign ministers attending the organization's 34th General Assembly in Ecuador's capital Quito.

The sole candidate for the post, he will succeed outgoing Secretary General Cesar Gaviria, the former Colombian president who has led the OAS for a decade. Rodriguez, Costa Rican president between 1998 and 2002, believed in a "mediating and pro-active" OAS and saw his new post as an instrument in the service of the OAS countries.

"We have inherited unfulfilled dreams and painful frustrations. Poverty, hunger, illiteracy, violence, a lack of opportunities, are the bitter daily life of millions of our people," Rodriguez said in a speech. "This frightening reality forces us to respond with speed and precision."

Rodriguez, a 64-year-old economist, successful businessman and university professor, became the first Central American to head the OAS since the organization was set up in 1948.

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US warns breast-feeding women about Domperidone drug

WASHINGTON, 8 June—Breast-feeding women should not take the drug Domperidone to boost milk production, because it may put them at risk of serious heart problems and sudden death, the US Government warned on Monday.

Domperidone is touted on the Internet as a safe way to stimulate milk production, because it may increase the amount of lactin, a hormone needed for lactation.

The drug is not approved in the United States but is sold in other countries in intravenous and oral forms to treat stomach disorders. The Food and Drug Administration said Domperidone poses serious risks and is not approved in any country for enhancing milk production.

Some people in other countries who were treated with the intravenous version have experienced irregular heartbeats, cardiac arrest and sudden death, the FDA said.

"Because of the possibility of serious adverse effects, FDA recommends that breast-feeding women not use Domperidone to increase milk production," an FDA state-

ment said.

In many countries, the oral form of Domperidone comes with a warning that the drug is excreted in breast milk and the risks to breast-feeding infants are unknown, the FDA said.

The FDA said some women in the United States had obtained Domperidone from "compounding" pharmacies that prepare medicines for patients from bulk ingredients or from foreign sources.

The agency sent warnings to six pharmacies and firms that it said were supplying Domperidone to tell them the sales were illegal. Regulators also alerted border inspectors to watch for attempts to import Domperidone and told them to detain the drug if they find it.

MNA/Reuters

Putin says eyeing Mexican energy

MEXICO CITY, 8 June—President Vladimir Putin, the first Russian leader to visit Mexico in over a century of diplomatic relations, said on Monday Russia was eager to invest in Mexico's cash-hungry but largely closed energy sector.

Putin and Mexican President Vicente Fox agreed to build a Russian helicopter assembly plant in the Gulf coast state of Veracruz and a heavy machinery assembly plant near Mexico City, but Putin said the energy sector also beckoned.

"These are concrete, interesting projects, though small ones, and we are going to support them. But I think that other projects could be of wider scope because some Russian companies already operate in the energy market," Putin told a news conference after talks with Fox.

While Mexican energy is

largely closed to foreign companies pending reforms that are continually blocked by opposition lawmakers, Russia has a foot in electricity as a supplier of natural gas to Mexican power plants.

Putin said Russia hoped to supply some liquefied natural gas to the handful of regasification terminals that oil majors are vying to build along Mexico's Pacific coast, to provide an alternative for Mexico to costly US gas imports.

He said Russia, which established diplomatic relations with Mexico in 1891, also wanted to get involved in oil exploration projects,

currently limited to state oil monopoly Pemex.

"Our collaboration in energy is important not just for our countries but for the world energy market," Putin said. Neither Russia or Mexico, major oil exporters, is a member of OPEC, although they have agreed to boost exports in line with OPEC's pledge to hike supply amid sky-high prices.

The two leaders signed various bilateral trade agreements and agreed to study the building of a helicopter maintenance centre as a first step toward the Veracruz assembly plant.

MNA/Reuters

Britain considers obesity levy on fast food firms

LONDON, 8 June—Britain is considering imposing levies on fast food firms to fund sports facilities and combat obesity, the government said on Sunday.

"We are looking at a number of ways of increasing sport in the context of the government's anti-obesity initiative," a Department for Culture, Media and Sport spokesman said.

Governments and food firms have been criticized for failing to combat obesity in Britain and the United States, where as many as two-thirds of the population are considered overweight. In Britain, 47 per cent of men and 33 per cent of women are overweight and nearly a quarter of both sexes are obese.

A spokeswoman for the Food and Drink Federation, whose members include the world's largest confectioner Cadbury Schweppes and soft drinks giant Coca-Cola, said the government had yet to

raise the issue of levies.

"Obviously if they were, we would consider it along with other suggestions," she said, adding, "We have written to the government and offered that we should talk more." If the levies were imposed, funds would be used to build sports facilities around the country, the government spokesman said, adding: "It remains the case that improving the nation's health and tackling obesity are key government objectives."

According to a May 27 parliamentary report, obesity in Britain has grown by almost 400 per cent in the last 25 years and if allowed to continue would surpass smoking as the greatest cause of premature loss of life.

MNA/Reuters



Stella McCartney holds her Fashion Designer of the Year Award during the first-ever Glamour Women of the Year Awards in central London on 8 June, 2004. — INTERNET

Environmentalists seek ban on bottom trawl fishing

UNITED NATIONS, 8 June—Environmental groups urged the United Nations on Monday to ban so-called bottom trawl fishing in international waters, calling the practice the most destructive fishing practice on the high seas.

In bottom trawling, fishing boats drag massive nets along the ocean bottom in extremely deep water near underwater mountains known as seamounts, destroying the corals, sponges and deep-sea habitats in their paths. The technique is completely unregulated in extensive areas of the world's high seas because most seamounts are located beyond the reach of national laws, according to the Deep Sea Conservation Coalition.

The grouping includes the Natural Resources Defence Council, Greenpeace International, The World Conservation Union, Conservation International and WWF International. The coalition an-

nounced its push for a global ban at the start of this week's informal UN consultations in New York on oceans and the Law of the Sea. Eleven nations — Denmark, Estonia, Iceland, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Russia and Spain — took 95 per cent of the fish caught in bottom-trawl fisheries on the high seas in 2001, the most recent year for which figures are available, fisheries expert Matthew Gianni said.

The practice accounted for sales of 300 million to 400 million US dollars of fish that year out of a total annual market of some 75 billion US dollars, he told reporters.

MNA/Reuters

WTO urged to work with UN to cut fishing subsidies

GENEVA, 8 June — The global environmental body WWF called on the World Trade Organization (WTO) on Tuesday to agree to work with the UN's key food agency on controlling subsidies to the troubled global fishing industry.

WWF, the Swiss-based World Wide Fund for Nature-International, made its appeal as trade diplomats at the 147-nation WTO met for a new effort to find the way out of a longstanding deadlock on the issue.

Under a detailed WWF plan, the WTO would have to reform its institutional arrangements to allow it to share authority for regulating fishing subsidies with inter-governmental bodies which, unlike the trade body, are part of the UN system.

The WTO has always been a stout defender of its

independence of the United Nations.

The WWF, whose expertise on fishing issues is widely recognized, said the Rome-based UN Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) and regional fisheries management bodies would be the obvious partners.

The proposal was part of a detailed WWF plan submitted to WTO delegations on how to reach agreement on how fishing subsidies — widely blamed for a huge drop in fish stocks — can be reduced and then eliminated

over the coming years.

"Fishermen in every ocean are watching their catches decline while governments hand out the kind of irrational subsidies the WTO was created to curb," said WWF Marine Programme Director Simon Cripps.

The WTO talks, part of negotiations on new rules in the trade body's still largely stalled Doha Round, are dogged by strong differences between nations that subsidise their fishermen and the vast majority that do not.

MNA/Reuters

China, COMESA enjoy bright future in economic cooperation

KAMPALA, 8 June — China and the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) will enjoy a very bright future in cooperation of mutual benefit due to stronger economic links between the two sides in recent years, Chinese First Special Representative to COMESA Hu Shouqin said here Monday.

While making the remarks at the 9th COMESA Summit and the First COMESA Business Summit, Hu, who is also the Chinese ambassador to Zambia, said China has experience and technology suitable to COMESA. "We are mutually complementary in agriculture, energy, environment protection, communications and many other fields," he said.

Trade between China and COMESA has been growing in recent years. According to COMESA statistics, the volume of trade between China and COMESA in 1998 totalled

42.629 million US dollars, and the number increased to 822.97 million dollars in 2002, 19.3 times of that in 1998. In 2002, the annual export of some COMESA member countries to China was over 100 million US dollars.

With Uganda granted destination position for Chinese tourists, COMESA now has eight member states as destinations for Chinese tourists, which means more and more Chinese tourists will be travelling to the COMESA region, doing business or market investigation, injecting vigor to

the economic development of these countries. He said the Chinese Government is willing to enhance coordination and cooperation with COMESA, ensuring developing countries to benefit from the process of globalization.

"The Chinese Government is ready to strengthen coordination with COMESA member countries in the process of international economic rules formulation and multiple trade negotiations, to jointly safeguard the legitimate rights and interests of developing countries," he said. — MNA/Xinhua

SPORTS

Former Real Madrid coach Del Bosque to Besiktas

ISTANBUL, 8 June— Besiktas have reached a multi-million-dollar, two-year deal with former Real Madrid coach Vicente del Bosque, the Turkish club said on Monday. "We have reached a two-year agreement... with technical director Vicente del Bosque," Besiktas said in a statement to the Istanbul stock exchange.

The club said it had agreed to pay del Bosque 1.75 million euros for his first year and 2.25 million euros for his second.

Del Bosque earlier told Spanish daily *El Pais* he had agreed to take over at Besiktas, where he will replace Romanian Mircea Lucescu who resigned last month to move to Ukrainian club Shakhtar Donetsk.

"It was a good and attractive option," del Bosque said. "I am keen to get to know the Besiktas squad and see if the team needs strengthening or not. They have promised me there will be some new signings."

The 53-year-old, who travelled to Istanbul on Monday, said he would be taking the whole of his former Real Madrid coaching team with him to his new club. "After four very intense seasons working together at Real Madrid we are all really keen to get back to work," he said.—MNA/Reuters



Chinese women deliver the Olympic torch to officials in the car park below the Great Wall of China at Mutianyu, northeast of Beijing on Tuesday 8 June, 2004. The unlit torch was displayed near the Great Wall after arriving in Beijing on earlier Tuesday, the fifth stop in its 78,000-kilometre (46,800-mile) journey across six continents, 27 countries and 33 cities. The torch relay will begin in Beijing on Wednesday.—INTERNET

Greece takes Athens Olympic security nationwide

ATHENS, 8 June— Greece's top Olympic security officials began a four-day tour of the country on Monday aimed at sealing its porous borders ahead of the August 13-29 Games in Athens.

The trip led by the Public Order Minister and police chief is the first step in taking Athens security nationwide two months before the Games begin. Public Order Minister George Voulgarakis wants regional police to match the "vigilance and readiness" of forces in the Greek capital.

"The implementation of the (security) plan is starting now," Voulgarakis said in a statement. "We want to activate all procedures to take the country into the Olympic period proper." Athens will be the first Summer Games since the September 11, 2001 attacks and organizers are putting in place the biggest ever Olympic security plan at a cost of one billion euros.

A series of minor bombing attacks last month which the Greek Government called "isolated domestic events" raised security concerns for the hosts and for countries planning to send their teams to the Games.

Australia angered Games organizers in May when it issued a travel advisory warning visitors to Athens to be cautious, just days after three bombs exploded in the capital.

Greece will deploy up to 70,000 military, police and Coast Guard personnel, backed up by air and sea patrols provided by NATO to safeguard athletes, officials and visitors during Games time. More than half the country's security forces will be involved, either directly or indirectly.

Sharing long land borders with Balkan neighbours and seas with Turkey, Greece is also beefing up its Coast Guard and border force in an effort to stem a growing wave of illegal immigrants and secure its borders ahead of the Games.

Greek officials have met with their counterparts from Bulgaria, Albania and Turkey to seek cooperation in sealing off trafficking routes on both sides of the borders.

MNA/Reuters

England can cope with France striker Henry

MANCHESTER (England), 8 June— England defender Ashley Cole says team mates John Terry and Sol Campbell can cope with the goal threat of France striker Thierry Henry when the two sides meet in Euro 2004.

Cole and Campbell watched Arsenal team mate Henry score 38 goals for the English Premier League side last season, but will be on opposing sides on Sunday when they begin their Euro 2004 campaign in the Group B clash.

"John and Sol are well equipped to play against Thierry," Cole told reporters.

"Sol plays up against him all the time in training and John has played against him in the Premiership (for Chelsea). "But while Henry and their (France) other players are superstars, we have to think about our game and how we can play and if we do that we can get a result.

"You have to worry about them but you can't worry too much as it will affect us. We have to remember we some great players here as well."

Cole intends to try and upset Arsenal's French players — Henry, Robert Pires, Patrick Vieira and Sylvain Wiltord — by sending them text messages on his mobile telephone before the game.

"There was some banter between myself and some of the French players at Arsenal over the last few games (of the league season)," he added.

"We had a title to win and a record to beat but towards the end I was telling Thierry Henry I would be looking to kick him, if I can catch him!

"I think the French players are away somewhere but when we get out to Portugal I

will send them a little text telling them we'll beat them."

Cole fears England could get caught up in the hype surrounding the French game and slip-up against Group B rivals Croatia and Switzerland.

"Everyone is raring to go.

We know how good France are and on our day we can be a great team as well," he said.

"You have to play the best teams to win the tournament and France first gives us a chance to enjoy a big boost. If we get a result there it will set us up for the other games.

"But we can't afford just to focus on the France game. Croatia are a good team and we can't forget about Switzerland."—MNA/Reuters

Brazil coach criticizes Copa America timing

RIO DE JANEIRO, 8 June— Brazil coach Carlos Alberto Parreira criticized the timing of the Copa America on Monday and said the world champions would rest their top players.

The tournament, featuring the 10 South American nations plus Mexico and Costa Rica, will be held in Peru in July.

But it takes place in the middle of the South American World Cup qualifiers, in which the continent's teams play each other home and away.

Parreira, whose team were held 1-1 by Chile in Sunday's World Cup qualifier, said on their return to Brazil that Ronaldo and captain Cafu would be among the players to stay at home.

"The qualifiers are a South American championship, we play each other home and away," Parreira told reporters.

"Playing it (the Copa America) every two years and holding it during the qualifiers makes it a problem. We're going to play Chile and Paraguay again, it's complicated."

Ronaldo told the *Estado* news agency: "Now, I want to make the most of my holiday and make a good return against Bolivia (in September)."

Parreira said he was satisfied with Sunday's result which kept Brazil top of the South American group with 13 points from seven games.

The world champions, who led until the 89th minute when Chile scored from a controversial penalty, are still unbeaten.

"It was a shame we didn't hold on to the three points, but it was a positive result," he said.

"Maybe it was the most difficult game of the qualifiers. Chile were very quick but they were only ever going to score from a dead-ball situation.

"If we hadn't fought hard, we would have lost the game just as we did last time," he said, referring to Brazil's 3-0 defeat in Santiago in the qualifiers for the 2002 World Cup.

"The important thing is that we are still leaders and unbeaten and I'm sure we will qualify with games to spare."

MNA/Reuters

Cocu rejoins PSV from Barcelona

AMSTERDAM, 8 June— Netherlands captain Philip Cocu has agreed a deal to rejoin PSV Eindhoven after his release from Barcelona, the Dutch club said on Monday.

Cocu, 33, played for PSV for three seasons before joining Barcelona in 1998. He was told last month his contract with the Spanish club would not be renewed.

"I had some great years at Barcelona and I was disappointed they did not give me a new contract," Cocu said in a statement. "But I still want to play football. I have a good feeling about this."

PSV coach Guus Hiddink said: "I am sure he will fit in and have a leading role in the team in the coming two years."

PSV finished second behind champions Ajax Amsterdam in the Dutch First Division last season.

MNA/Reuters

Chelsea agree settlement with Ranieri

LONDON, 8 June— Chelsea have reached an amicable financial settlement with former coach Claudio Ranieri, the Premier League club said on Monday.

Ranieri, with three years left to run on his contract, was sacked by Chelsea on May 31 and replaced at Stamford Bridge by Jose Mourinho, who guided Porto to the Champions League crown last month.

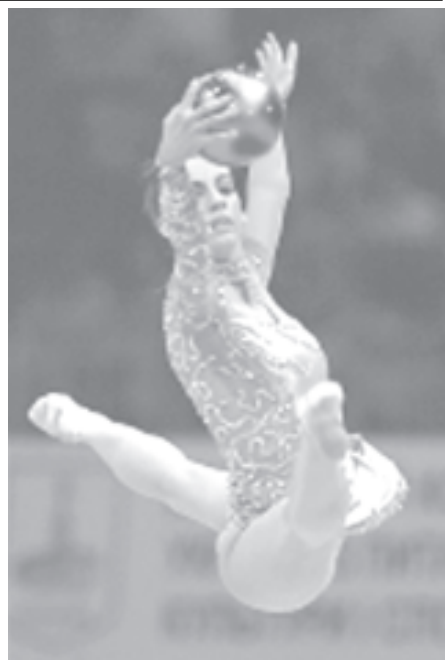
"We have fully honoured the terms of Claudio's contract and we wish him good luck for the future," a spokesman for the club told Chelsea's web site.

"Our discussions with Claudio regarding the terms of his departure were at all times amicable. We are pleased we have been able to agree this so promptly."

Ranieri, who led Chelsea to a second-place finish in the Premier League behind champions Arsenal and the semifinals of the Champions League this season, is poised to return to former club Valencia.

The Primera Liga champions said last week they had agreed personal terms with the 52-year-old, who coached at the Mestalla between 1997 and 1999.

MNA/Reuters



Handling the ball : Spanish Almeda Cid performs with a ball during the team individual competition of the European Championship in Rhythmic Gymnastics in Kiev.—INTERNET

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Morning Transmission
(9:00 - 10:00)**

- 9:00 Signature Tune
Greeting
9:02 Song of Myanmar
Beauty & Scenic
Sights "Myanma Pano-
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9:06 A Visit to the Pagoda
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9:10 **Headline News**
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9:15 **National News**
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**Evening Transmission
(19:30 - 23:30)**

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19:36 Butterfly Garden In
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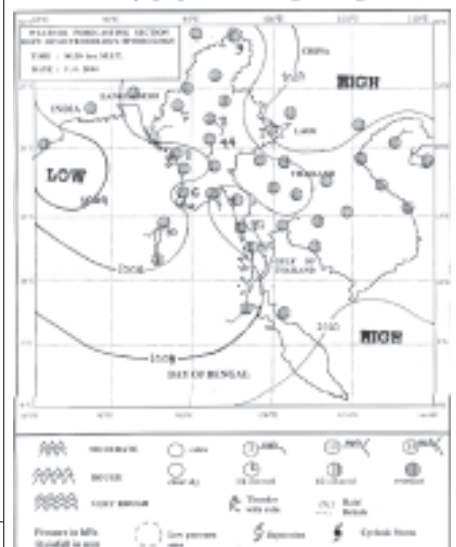
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Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas

WEATHER
Wednesday, 9 June, 2004

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours MST: During the past 24 hours, rain or thunder-showers have been isolated in Chin State and Magway Division, widespread in Shan, Mon States, Yangon, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Divisions and scattered in the remaining areas with locally heavyfall in Yangon Division and isolated heavyfall in Mandalay Division. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Coco island (4.09) inches, Khayan (3.70) inches and Meiktila (2.13) inches.

Maximum temperature on 8-6-2004 was 31.5°C (89°F). Minimum temperature on 9-6-2004 was 21.5°C (71°F). Relative humidity at 9:30 hrs MST on 9-6-2004 was 96%. Total sunshine hours on 8-6-2004 was (5.3) hours approx. Rainfall on 9-6-2004 was 19mm (0.74 inch) at Yangon Airport, 13mm (0.51 inch) at Kaba-Aye and 17mm (0.67 inch) at central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2004 was 585mm (23.03 inches) at Yangon Airport and 478mm (18.82 inches) at Kaba-Aye and 630 mm (24.80 inches) at central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was 4 mph from East at (11:50) hours MST on 8-6-2004.

Bay inference: Monsoon is weak to moderate in the Bay of Bengal. **Forecast valid until evening of the 10-6-2004:** Rain or thundershowers will be widespread in Kayin and Mon States, Yangon, Bago, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Divisions, scattered in Kachin, Rakhine States, upper Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions and isolated in the remaining areas with likelihood of isolated heavyfalls in Mon State and Taninthayi Division. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Seas will be slight to moderate in Myanmar waters. **Outlook for subsequent two days:** Thundery condition are likely in upper Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 10-6-2004: One or two rains or thundershowers with sunny periods. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 10-6-2004: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).


**Thursday, June 10
View today:**
7:00 am

1. Recitation of Parittas by
Missionary Sayadaw
U Ottamathara

7:25 am

2. To be healthy exercise

7:30 am

3. Morning news

7:40 am

4. Nice and sweet song

7:55 am

5. Dance of national races

8:05 am

6. Dance variety

8:20 am

7. လမ်းဆုံတေး

8:30 am

8. International news

8:45 am

9. Let's go

4:00 pm

1. Martial song

4:15 pm

2. Songs to uphold
National Spirit

4:30 pm

3. English for Everyday Use

4:45 pm

4. Musical programme

5:00 pm

5. အဆေးသင်တန်းသို့ လေ့လာရေး
ရပ်ခြင်းသို့ကြားသင်ခန်းစာ
-ဒုတိယပန်း (သမုဒ္ဒရာလှေ) (သမုဒ္ဒရာ)

5:15 pm

6. Cute little dancers

5:30 pm

7. မြန်မာ့ ဖြန့်ချိတေး

5:45 pm

8. "စရာတစ်ခုခုကွေ့ပုံပုံ"
ဆေးလင်း၊ ဝေဠုတော်၊ မိုးနိုး၊
ထက်ရှား၊ မိုးမြို့
ဒါနီတော်-မိုးနိုး

6:00 pm

9. မှန်မိုးရာသီတေးဆင်ယင်မှု

6:10 pm

10. Musical programme

6:25 pm

11. မိုးလင်းခင်းစာတော်
စိမ်းလန်းစေ့စေ့

6:30 pm

12. Evening news

7:00 pm

13. Weather report

7:05 pm

14. မိုးလင်းခင်းစာတော်
"မိုးခါးမယ်" (အပိုင်း-၂၅)

7:35 pm

15. မိုးခါးမယ် (အပိုင်း-၁)
-As long as you love
me (Backstreet
Boys)

7:45 pm

16. ရွှေလက်ဆွဲသတင်းစာအလိုဆင်
8:00 pm

8:00 pm

17. News
18. International news

8:15 pm

19. Weather report
20. မိုးခါးမယ်ကွေ့ပုံပုံ (အပိုင်း-၁)
မိုးနိုး၊ ဆေးလင်းခင်းစာတော်၊
တင်ဆက်မှုအစီအစဉ် (အပိုင်း-၁)

8:30 pm

21. မင်းလွန်းဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး
ဦးဝိနိစ္ဆာရာသီသစ် အရပ်
ဆယ်လွန်းရာသီသစ်သစ်သစ်
မြင်း တရားတော်


**Thursday, June 10
Tune in today:**

- 8.30 am Brief news
8.35 am Music: Get over it
(Eagles)
8.40 am Perspectives
8.45 am Music: If I let you go
(Westlife)
8.50 am National news/
Slogan
9.00 am Music: Breathless
(The Corrs)
9.05 am International news
9.10 am Music: All that I need
(Boyzone)
1.30 pm News/Slogan
1.40 pm Lunch time music
-As long as you love
me (Backstreet
Boys)
-Latey (Samantha
Mumba)
-I'm not a girl, not
yet a woman
(Britney Spears)
-Bye now (Atomic
Kitten)
9.00 pm Aspects of Myanmar
-Myanmar Harp
Article
9.10 pm Pourri
9.20 pm Favourite songs
chosen by music
lovers
-Unchained melody
(Ricky Nelson)
-Hello darling
(Skeeter Davis)
-When I need you
(Rod Stewart)
9.45 pm News/Slogan
10.00 pm PEL

Senior General Than Shwe sends felicitations to President of Portuguese

YANGON, 10 June— Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Jorge Fernando Branco de Sampaio, President of the Portuguese Republic, on the occasion of the National Day of the Portuguese Republic which falls on 10 June 2004.— MNA

Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt inspects relief measures for storm victims in Myebon Township

YANGON, 9 June— Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt and party, accompanied by Chairman of Rakhine State Peace and Development Council Commander of Western Command Maj-Gen Maung Oo, arrived at Kanhtaunggyi Village, Myebon Township, via Sittway, yesterday morning.

The Prime Minister and party were welcomed there by local authorities and departmental officials, social organization members and local people.

At Kanhtaunggyi Village Basic Education High School, the Prime Minister met local authorities, de-

damage of rice and paddy, boats, cattle, schools, departmental buildings, religious edifices, paddy fields and prawn ponds and assistance for relief programmes provided by the Rakhine State Chairman, ministers, deputy ministers and officials. Next, local authorities and departmental officials reported on availability of drinking water and requirements of roads and bridges, education and health sectors.

After fulfilling requirements, the Prime Minister delivered an address, saying that they were there to provide more assistance and gave encouragement to lo-

fulfilling the requirements of some losses of cattle, boats and houses.

They have rendered assistance to present and long-term requirements of Myebon Township as well as Kanhtaunggyi Village after meeting township and village level authorities and local people.

In the second cash donation ceremony held Yesterday, wellwishers from Yangon who accompanied the Prime Minister donated over K 390 million including cash donations sent by States and Divisions for the townships affected by the storm.

Myanmar is a Union.

storm occurred.

All the national races are living in the Union of Myanmar with Union Spirit and consolidation of nationalist spirit. In so doing, the government is managing for forging national unity among the national races.

As the government, on its part, is making efforts for development of hill and plain regions including border areas and uplift of living standard of all the national races, officials, social organizations and local people in urban and rural areas are to harmoniously cooperate in the tasks for development of their regions.

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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



Prime Minister General Khin Nyunt meets local authorities, departmental officials and local people at the hall in Myebon Township.— MNA



partmental officials and local people. Member-1 of the Township Peace and Development Council Commander of Township Police Force Police Capt Tin Htoo reported on damage of Kanhtaunggyi Station caused by strong winds, loss of human lives village-wise,

cal people after inspecting loss of Kanhtaunggyi Village in Myebon Township affected by natural disaster.

According to the reports, ministries concerned are repairing damages of the departmental buildings. And, arrangements are to be made to make donations for

Thus, States and Divisions made donations with the concept that they should give assistance to their brethren who were affected by the storm.

The regional in-charge will provide donations to the national races who reside in the areas where the

Lt-Gen Maung Bo inspects progress of Myeik-Taninthayi-Bokpyin Road

YANGON, 9 June — Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Maung Bo, accompanied by Chairman of Taninthayi Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Coastal Region Command Brig-Gen Ohn Myint, Deputy Minister for Construction Brig-Gen Myint Thein, senior military officers and officials of the State Peace and Development Council Office and officials, inspected maintenance of Pathaung Bridge in Myeik on 5 June morning.

Taninthayi Division Superintending Engineer U Ba Wan and Myeik District Senior Engineer U Hla Soe reported on construction of Myeik-Taninthayi Road.

Lt-Gen Maung Bo instructed them to system-

atically use gravel and repair the road for its durability.

Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Myint Thein gave a supplementary report.

On arrival at Talapat Creek Bailey Bridge on Taninthayi-Bokpyin Road, they inspected repair of the 90-foot-long bailey bridge. Lt-Gen Maung Bo gave instructions on close supervision for durability of the bridge and productions of gravels from quarries. Next, they inspected construction and repairing tasks along the road.

They went to the combined office of General Administration Department in Pyigy Mandaing where they inspected the office of respective departments. Lt-Gen Maung Bo and party proceeded to Pyigy

Mandaing Hospital and saw over patient wards, delivery room and operation theatre. And, Lt-Gen Maung Bo provided assistance to construction of 6-apartment staff quarters.

In the evening, they arrived at the office of Lehnya-Mandaing River Bridge Construction Project.

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Lt-Gen Maung Bo presents snacks for service personnel and local people through an official in Karathuri.— MNA

With hands linked firm around the National Convention.