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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

## With considerable success in restoring stability and peace, government has been able to create fine opportunities for economic development

# Chaungmange Dam inaugurated as 187th irrigation facility of the nation

NAY PYI TAW, 12 July—The Chaungmange Dam near Pannyosan Village in Lewe Township, Pynmana District, was inaugurated this morning.

The facility was built by the Construction Group

(5) of the Irrigation Department under the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation.

The opening ceremony was attended by Member of the State Peace and Development Council

General Thura Shwe Mann of the Ministry of Defence, SPDC Member Lt-Gen Ye Myint of the Ministry of Defence, Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Brig-Gen Wai Lwin, the ministers,

the deputy ministers, senior military officers of the Ministry of Defence, the director-general of the SPDC office, heads of department, service personnel, members of social organizations, town-sellers, students and local people.

The General said the ceremony has brought auspiciousness to local people in Lewe Township because the Chaungmange Dam that can benefit 8,000 acres of farmland has been put into commission successfully.

The government values and enhances the interests of the people, and has given priority to equitable development of all parts of the nation in the process.

As is known to all that with the considerable success in restoring stability and peace, the government has been able to create fine opportunities for economic development, and the socio-economic life of the people is rising. And the government is building transport facilities such as roads and bridges essential for economic and social development.

Such basic needs for the mankind as food and clothes are produced through agriculture. Irrigation water plays a crucial role in that regard. With this context, the government has been building dams, reservoirs, sluice gates and river water pumping stations and tapping underground water throughout the nation. The dam is the 187th facility of its kind. The government will continue to build irrigation facilities.

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General Thura Shwe Mann addresses opening ceremony of Chaungmange Dam. — MNA

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

## PERSPECTIVES

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### Constantly train youth, the asset of the nation

The population of the world today is 6.5 billion and that of the 10-24 age group is more than one billion. As the youth in that age bracket live in different societies, they have different political, economic, social and cultural experiences. Therefore, cooperative efforts should be made to shape a better future for them.

There are various problems facing the youth all over the world. About 133 million youth who are illiterate, about 115 million have never been to school and about 100 million left school before they were able to read or write.

There are more than 60 million people in the world who are infected with HIV/AIDS and over half of them are youth. In the developing nations, there are about 82 million young women who got married before they were 18. Every year, 15 million young women in the 15-19 age bracket give birth.

The population of Myanmar is over 55 million and that of the 10-24 age group is about 15 million. The government regards the youth as the strength and asset of the nation and therefore is fulfilling all the requirements for their education, health and social development.

Every endeavour is being made for the school-age children to be able to complete primary education and for rural and urban children to be able to enjoy equal opportunity in education. Moreover, educative work on prevention of AIDS is being carried out widely among students by township health departments and school health personnel.

As Myanmar is actively cooperating with WHO, UNDP, UNFPA and other NGOs at home and abroad, we believe that the nation will be able to continue training the youth, the asset of the nation, into qualified citizens.

### CSSTB Chairman inspects CICS

YANGON, 12 July — Chairman of Civil Service Selection and Training Board Dr Than Nyun together with member U Hla Myint Oo and Director-General U Hla Kyi of Civil Service Selection and Training Department met with officials and staff at Nawarat Hall, Central Institute of Civil Service (Phaunggyi), yesterday morning.

The chairman heard the reports on academic matters, administration and construction tasks, agricultural and poultry farming tasks presented by Rector U Win Maung, and gave necessary instructions.

CSSTB Chairman Dr Than Nyun and party looked into water supply facility for agricultural purpose, progress in construction of the 1,800-trainee-capacity hall, construction of a three-storey building for No 6 company (men) and a two-storey building for No 2 company (women), cultivation of rubber and physic nut plants and the hospital, and fulfilled the requirements.

MNA

### Political Aspiration

- \* 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

### Basic Performing Arts Course concludes



Commander Brig-Gen Hla Htay Win speaking at concluding ceremony of Basic Performing Arts Course. — MNA

YANGON, 12 July — A concluding ceremony of Basic Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Course was held at No 6 BEHS, Botahtaung Township yesterday, attended by Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Hla Htay Win and wife Daw Mar Mar Wai.

First, Commander Brig-Gen Hla Htay Win made a speech on the occasion, saying that Yangon Division achieved success in the Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions yearly.

The participants are to try their best to maintain their success and to improve quality of performance year after year.

After presenting completion certificates to two trainees, the commander and wife gave souvenirs to course instructors and trainees.

Next, the course instructors explained about lectures on respective subjects. The trainees performed entertainment to the audience.

Afterwards, artistes and trainees sang the song before conclusion of the ceremony. — MNA

### Sports Minister donates stationery to schools in Monywa

NAY PYI TAW, 12 July — Central Executive Committee member of Union Solidarity and Development Association Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint on 8 July donated desks, exercise books, pencils and sports equipment to Natlu Htaikpan Basic Education Middle School (branch) in Monywa.

The minister went to Kinmontaw village in ChaungU Township and handed over desks to the

village's middle school.

On his trip, Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint presented subsidies to farmers in the township.

On 9 July, Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint presented stationery to the affiliated middle school in Kanpyu Village, Ayadaw Township, and the high school (branch) in Ywathagyi, Wetlet Township. — MNA

### Potato Value Chain Workshop conducted

YANGON, 12 July — Jointly organized by United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP), the Greater Mekong-Subregion Business Forum (GMS-BF), the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry and the Myanmar Agricultural Producers Association, the Potato Value Chain Workshop 2006 was held at Ayethaya Golf Resort, Taunggyi on 5 and 6 July. It was attended by officials from the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation, the Ministry of Commerce, the Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development, the

president, vice-presidents and executives of UMFCCI, the director of UNESCAP Trade and Investment Division, the chief of Investment and Enterprise Development Section, representatives and experts from Cambo-

dia, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand, Vietnam, the People's Republic of China and Bangladesh.

On 5 July, resource persons read papers on Potato Value Chain at the workshop. On 6 July, participants of the workshop vis-

ited potato farms in Heho and the potato market and value added potato product factory in Aungban. The workshop came to an end after receiving confirmation of the approval and resolution (draft) of the discussion. — MNA



Delegates of GMS countries pose for documentary photo after completion of Potato Value Chain Workshop. — UMFCCI



Chinese Olympic champion Liu Xiang set a world record of 12.88 seconds in the men's 110 metres hurdles at a super grand prix meeting on 11 June, 2006. INTERNET

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## US control of goods to China contradicts Sino-US trade relations

**B**EIJING, 11 July—China has urged the United States to give up its “cold war mentality” and take constructive measures to promote the healthy development of Sino-US trade relations.

Chong Quan, spokesman of the Ministry of Commerce, made the remarks on Monday in response to a document issued by the US Commerce Department on 6 July which announced new restrictions on the export of goods to China. The US side should, by taking the overall Sino-US ties into consideration,

promote bilateral trade on high technologies to ease the trade imbalance between the two sides, Chong said.

It goes against the interests of both Chinese and US firms and bilateral trade ties to set up irrational obstacles and additional premises to the normal trade between the two sides, Chong said.

According to Chong, China attaches great importance to the US move and will issue further comments after listening to the opinions of relevant industries.

MNA/Xinhua

## Russia Navy chief's plane burns in wave of mishaps

**M**oscow, 11 July — A airplane carrying Russia's Navy chief burst into flames on Monday after overshooting a runway in the Crimea in a series of near misses by Russian aircraft a day after a deadly air crash in Siberia.

Three people were injured when the TU-134 plane carrying Admiral Vladimir Masorin and other admirals caught fire after having to return to land at an airport near Simferopol, in Ukraine, *Interfax* news agency reported, citing a Navy spokesman.

State television showed remains of the burnt out airplane and an unidentified Navy official told *Interfax* that the officials' baggage and documents had been destroyed.

The plane was forced to return to the airport just after take-off because of

engine trouble, which the Navy spokesman said may have been caused by a collision with a flock of birds. The incident follows the deadly fire which broke out on a Russian airliner after it veered off the runway on Sunday and ran into nearby buildings in the Siberian airport of Irkutsk.

Russian media said another plane, also an Airbus A-310 and also run by Sibir airlines, was forced to land in the Crimea on Monday morning as it flew from Turkey to Moscow after engine problems. No one was injured.

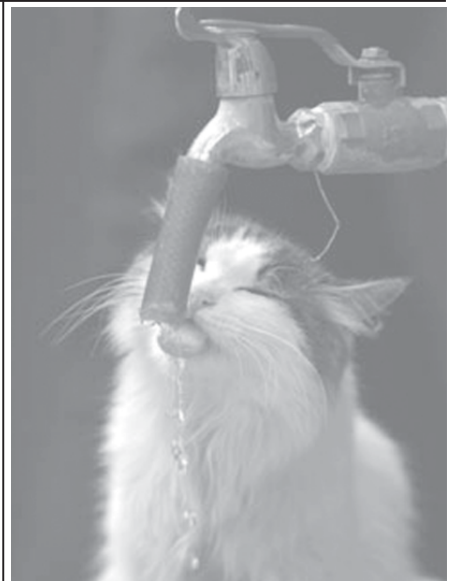
MNA/Reuters

## Filipino woman hits Marine accused of rape in court

**M**ANILA, 11 July — A Filipino woman, testifying against four US Marines accused of raping her last year, hit one of them with her handbag in a courtroom on Monday after saying he tried to trip her.

The Marines, being detained by the US Embassy in Manila, deny the charges filed in December, saying only one of them had sex with the woman and that it was consensual. The woman, resuming her testimony after breaking down several times in previous hearings, said the Marines took advantage of her after they drank together at a bar in Subic Bay, a former US Navy base northwest of Manila, on 1 November. She accuses Lance Corporal Daniel Smith of forcing her to have sex in a van.

There was a minor commotion at the outset when the woman hit Smith with her handbag after she thought he and another of the Marines tried to trip her as she walked across the courtroom. Court and US Embassy personnel moved quickly to separate the woman and Smith. The woman, a management accounting graduate, will testify again on Tuesday after the judge stopped the hearing for the day. —MNA/Reuters



A cat drinks water from a tap at the Fahai Temple in Beijing, capital of China, on 11 July, 2006. —INTERNET

## High metal prices drive coin smuggling

**M**ANILA, 11 July— Smugglers have tried to ship out millions of older one-peso coins from the Philippines, not for their face value of less than 2 US cents each but for the copper and nickel content as metals prices soar.

The central bank said customs authorities seized a 40-foot container at the weekend that was loaded with 2-3 million coins, weighing 12.2-18.3 tonnes, bound for Japan. Any export of coins worth more than 10,000 pesos must be declared.

It was the latest attempt this year to illegally ship the one-peso coins minted until 2003, after seizures of about 400,000 pieces in May and 1 million pieces in February, central bank Deputy Governor Armando Suratos told *Reuters* on Tuesday. “It could be because of the metal content,” Suratos said. “In

2002, the cost of producing a one-peso coin was already 1.40 to 1.60 pesos.”

Until 2003, an alloy containing 75 percent copper and 25 percent nickel was used to make the 6.1-gram coins — which has made their metal content now worth about 3.50 pesos each.

Suratos said the central bank started minting one-peso coins made of steel and plated with nickel in 2004 to cut costs.

Copper at the London Metal Exchange has risen nearly 75 percent since the start of the year, ending at \$7,730 per tonne on Monday, partly due to strong demand for industrial metals from China and tight supplies.

Nickel touched a record high of \$24,800 per tonne on Monday before closing at \$24,650. (\$1=52.20 pesos)

Internet



The photo taken on 11 July, 2006 shows a peculiar egg in the shape of gourd in Hangzhou, capital city of east China's Zhejiang Province. Mr Feng bought the peculiar egg in a market. —INTERNET

## Police snap over 500 vehicles for illegal racing in Johor

**K**UALA LUMPUR, 11 July—Police rounded up about 600 people and 550 vehicles in Malaysia's southern state of Johor on Sunday, which were suspected for the involvement of illegal racing there, a local newspaper said on Monday.

The Malaysian police

authorities mobilized some 140 policemen and a helicopter to start the operation at a road section near Johor Baru, capital of the Johor State, *the New Straits Times* said.

Some 600 people were brought to a local police station for inquiries and 34 of them were detained for illegal racing, in-

cluding two civil servants and two students, the newspaper said.

More than 400 cars and 150 motorcycles, including some from Singapore, also were detained, it said.

The daily said that the weekly races, which offered winners lucrative cash prizes and the promise of sexual favours

from young women, attracted hundreds of participants and spectators over the past three months.

Local police took the action after receiving complaints for too much noises by residents and were finding the organizers and whether the racing involves betting.

MNA/Xinhua

# US moves to limit online gambling

**UNITED NATIONS, 11 July**—The US House of Representatives has backed a bill which aims to rein in online gambling.

The bill aims to limit internet gaming by making it illegal for US-based banks and credit card firms to make payments to online gambling sites.

Estimates suggest the online gaming industry generates \$12bn (£6.4bn) a year worldwide, half from US gamblers.

As yet it is unclear whether the US Senate will make the bill law ahead of elections in November.

Critics have attacked the proposals as an "outrageous" measure,

claiming it aims to stir up the more conservative sectors of society ahead of the elections—and so boost the Republican party's chances.

However, one of the bill's sponsors, Republican Bob Goodlatte, claimed the plans aimed to control a "scourge on society" which causes "innumerable problems".

The US plans have come under close scrutiny from some UK-listed sites such as Partygaming and 888 Holdings—owners of 888.com—amid concerns

that earnings will suffer if the US government does clamp down on online gaming.

Gambling is illegal in many parts of the US, but internet gaming firms like 888 have millions of US customers, because they are based offshore in countries that allow gambling and are out of reach of US laws.

The bill would make it illegal to accept payments from people who live where federal or state law prohibits betting.

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## ဝတ်မှုပွဲအား ခေတ်တော်သွား



*A dolphin starts drawing the marine world under domesticator's direction in dolphinarium in Qinhuangdao city in Hebei, the north of China on 10 July, 2006. Tourists can enjoy the performance of dolphins and learn marine knowledge in the dolphinarium. At the same time, the place serves as a window for people to pay attention to marine environment and protect marine animals. —INTERNET*

## Polish President named twin brother as PM

**WARSAW, 11 July** — Polish President Lech Kaczynski on Monday nominated his twin brother Jaroslaw Kaczynski as Prime Minister, the President's Office said in a statement.

"The President of the Republic of Poland, Lech Kaczynski, has designated Jaroslaw Kaczynski as prime minister," the statement said.

Jaroslaw Kaczynski replaces Prime Minister Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz, who formally resigned on Monday. Jaroslaw Kaczynski now has two weeks to form a new Cabinet and the Parliament will then have a further two weeks to approve his nomination as premier and his programme for governing Poland.

MNA/Xinhua

## Bush departs from "cowboy diplomacy"

**WASHINGTON, 11 July**— The Bush Administration is abandoning the so-called "cowboy diplomacy," represented by a muscular, idealistic and unilateralist vision of US power and how to use it, a leading US magazine said.

The cover story of the latest edition of *Time* magazine said the shift underway in US President George W Bush's foreign policy is bigger and more seismic than a change of wardrobe or a modulation of tone. The change comes at a time when the President found himself in "a world of hurt," including a grinding and unpopular war in Iraq, a growing insurgency in Afghanistan, an impasse over Iran's nuclear ambitions, brewing war between Israel and the Palestinians and other global crises, as well as his poor approval ratings, it said. — MNA/Xinhua

## Over 50 college students food poisoned in E China city



*A student of Fujian Agriculture and Forestry University suffering from food poisoning, receives treatment in Fuzhou, capital of southeast China's Fujian Province on 10 July, 2006. INTERNET*

**FUZHOU, 11 July** — More than 50 students from Fujian Agriculture and Forestry University in east China's city of Fuzhou suffered food poisoning after having their meals in the university canteen on Monday.

The campus hospital has received 54 students who claimed to suffer diarrhoea, sick up and nausea since 10:00 am Monday, according to the clinic.

A student said he was haunted by diarrhoea and sick up from 7:00 am Monday just after having supper in the university's canteen on Sunday.

Zhou Tao, vice head of the campus hospital, said the students might suffer some acute gastroenteritis and added that the majority of the students felt better after dextrose transfusion and some simple remedies.

The provincial disease prevention and control centre, together with the city's epidemic prevention station, have collected samples from the sick students to investigate the cause of the food poisoning.

MNA/Xinhua

## Iraq renews threat to review Australia trade ties

**BAGHDAD, 11 July** — Iraq's Trade Minister on Sunday repeated his threat to reconsider trade deals with wheat supplier Australia unless it reopened an inquiry into the

killing of one of his bodyguards by Australian soldiers.

Australia's defence force chief said last week that a military inquiry had cleared the soldiers of any wrongdoing.

Two people, including a bodyguard of Iraqi Trade Minister Abdul Falah al-Sudany, were killed and several wounded when Australian security forces in Baghdad shot at their car as it approached their convoy on 21 June.

Sudany's spokesman, Mohammed Hanoun, said the minister was "not satisfied" with the results and was unhappy with the failure of Australian investigators to talk to any of those wounded in the incident to get their accounts of what happened.—MNA/Reuters

## WHO expert says greater efforts needed in China's "AIDS" control

**BEIJING, 11 July** — Despite lower estimated figures and stronger political commitment, China still faces challenges in HIV/AIDS control, said an expert from the World Health Organization (WHO) Monday.

The government had made some achievements in fighting HIV/AIDS in terms of high-level political commitment and the initiation of effective prevention, treatment, care and support programmes, said Dr Wiwat Rojanapithayakorn, HIV/AIDS team leader in the WHO's Beijing office.

"The country has got one agreed HIV/AIDS action framework that drives alignment of all partners, one national AIDS authority with a broad-based multi-sector mandate and one agreed country-level monitoring and evaluation system," Wiwat said in a presentation at a regional conference. However, China still needed to scale up effective interventions and eliminate the widespread stigma of sufferers. It should also mount an effective AIDS response in the context of a weak healthcare system, the expert told the Beijing Conference on East Asian Regional Cooperation in the Fight Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

China has 650,000 people living with HIV/AIDS, including 75,000 with clinical, or fully developed, AIDS, Wiwat cited the 2005 Update on the HIV/AIDS Epidemic and Response in China as saying.

MNA/Xinhua



*An Emergencies Ministry worker stands in front of the wreck of the Airbus A-310 that crashed on Sunday, at the airport in the Siberian city of Irkutsk on 11 July, 2006. — INTERNET*



*A victim is brought out of a collapsed building in New York on 10 July, 2006. A three-story building collapsed in Manhattan on Monday morning after an apparent gas explosion, causing injuries, a frantic rescue operation and sending smoke billowing into the air.*

INTERNET

## Fugitive otter recaptured after month on the run

WELLINGTON, 11 July —An escapee who had spent almost a month on the run, eating the finest food and frolicking in clear public sight on the beach of one of New Zealand's swankiest suburbs has been recaptured by desperate authorities.

Jin, a short-clawed Asiatic otter which escaped from Auckland Zoo on 13 June, was found

in a trap on an island in the Hauraki Gulf — part of the harbour that forms the eastern sea entrance to New Zealand's largest city.

Jin and two other otters

escaped from a new compound in the zoo last month. The other otters were caught but Jin was believed to have swum down a creek and into the harbour. —MNA/Reuters

## Global warming prompts marine life census in Antarctica

SYDNEY, 11 July — Global warming in Antarctica is allowing scientists to undertake a census of marine life.

The ice shelves of Antarctica are melting as the frozen continent warms up more quickly than any other place on earth.

Australian Antarctic Division spokesman Tony Press says the marine census will be used to

monitor the effect of climate change.

"The census of Antarctic marine life is going to be a systematic study of marine organisms all around Antarctica, done in a way that we can actually draw a benchmark and know what species occur in Antarctica and also what changes might occur in the future," he said.

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## Economist calls for fair income distribution in China

BEIJING, 11 July — A Chinese economist said in a signed article in Monday's *People's Daily*, the mouthpiece of the Communist Party, that both egalitarianism and big income gap should be overcome in the process of reforming and standardizing income distribution system.

Zhao Renwei, an

economic research fellow with the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, a socio-economic think tank, said the reform on income distribution, initiated by the top Chinese leadership, is just aimed at preventing the two trends (egalitarianism and enlarged income gap).

Under the Civil Servants Law imple-

mented on 1 January, China must have a uniform salary system across the country. This would mean there would be no gap in salaries for civil servants of the same rank.

Currently, the salaries for civil servants of the same rank mainly depend on the well-being of local government finances and therefore their pay varies with regions.

To remedy the situation, the Chinese leadership said extra stipend should be granted to civil servants working in poor areas and in the regions.

Zhao acknowledged

the reform is not simply meant to raise the salaries of civil servants.

It is actually aimed at improving the mechanism on the determination and normal increases of salaries so that it can better reflect the requirement of socialist economy and achieve fair distribution on the back of economic growth and efficiency enhancement, Zhao said.

Zhao also outlined a series of measures aimed at reducing the income gap between the country's urban and rural populations.

MNA/Xinhua



*A biologist holds a fur seal at Niteroi's Zoo after it was rescued off Brazilian shores in Rio de Janeiro, on 11 July, 2006. INTERNET*

## Kuwait announces new Cabinet

KUWAIT CITY, 11 July —Kuwaiti Emir Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmad al-Jaber al-Sabah announced a new Cabinet on Monday.

The new Cabinet under Prime Minister Sheikh Nasser Al-Mohammad Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah was proposed by the premier and reviewed and approved by the Emir, reported local media.

The Emir issued the decree appointing the new Cabinet based on

the Prime Minister's recommendations and previously decreed by the Emir on 2 July, which maintains ruling family's dominance, said the state-owned Kuwaiti television.

However, three ministers in the previous lists lost their positions in the new Cabinet, including the Oil Minister

The energy portfolio was given to Sheikh Ali al-Jarrah al-Sabah, also an Al Sabah family member.

MNA/Xinhua

## Firecracker workshop blast kills seven, injures three in China

CHANGSHA, 11 July — Seven people were killed and three others were injured in an explosion happening on Monday morning at an illegally-run firecracker workshop in the county of Yizhang, central China's Hunan Province.

The majority workers killed or injured in the blast were middle-aged and elderly women, with the average age above

forty, said Gu Xiangwang, director of the county's Administration of Work Safety.

But the youngest victim of the blast was a 14-year-old girl.

The official said the blast collapsed the major part of the 50-square-metre workshop. Six people were killed on the spot and another worker died later in the hospital.

MNA/Xinhua

Gu said the administration released documents in late June, asking all the firecracker producers in the county to halt production for safety checkup.

The owner of the workshop has already been in custody of the local police and investigation into the cause of the accident is also underway.



*Emergency workers assist victims after a train derailed and smoke filled a subway tunnel during rush hour in Chicago on 11 July, 2006.*

INTERNET

## Gunmen kidnap Iraqi diplomat in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 12 July — Gunmen kidnapped an Iraqi consul who is posted in Iran from his house in Baghdad on Tuesday, police and Interior Ministry sources said.

Wissam Abdulla al-

Awadi, Iraq's consul in the Iranian city of Kermanshah, was snatched in the predominantly Shiite Ammil District in southwestern Baghdad by gunmen in two cars, police said. Abdulla al-Awadi was in Baghdad visiting his family.

It was not clear which group was behind the kidnapping. After fighting Shiite Iran in the 1980s under Sunni leader Saddam Hussein, the Shiite-led government of Baghdad resumed diplomatic relations with Tehran.

MNA/Reuters

## Eight miners die in China's Shanxi Province

BEIJING, 11 July — A gas explosion in a coal mine in northern China has killed at least eight people, the latest in a series of disasters to hit the province of Shanxi, *Xinhua* news agency said on Sunday. The accident happened on Saturday in Hejin city. —MNA/Reuters



China's top legislator Wu Bangguo (L) shakes hands with visiting President of Venezuela's Congress Nicolas Maduro in Beijing on 11 July, 2006.—INTERNET

## Airstrikes leave 60 civilians dead in S Afghanistan

KABUL, 12 July — Air raids conducted by the US-led coalition forces in the southern Uruzgan Province of Afghanistan have left at least 60 civilians dead, a law-maker from the restive province said on Tuesday.

"The aircraft pounded three villages namely Deh Jauze, Sarosah and Kakrak, 12 kilometre-away from Trinkot, the provincial capital of Uruzgan, Monday morning which lasted from 1:00 am to 4:00 am," Abdul Khaliq told *Xinhua*. About 30 more civilians were wounded in the air strikes, he added.

On the other hand, the US military rejected the claim as baseless.

"No, there was no civilian injured, and we have no report to support the claim," spokesperson of the coalition Tamara Lawrence told *Xinhua*.

The US military in a Press released issued on Monday said that the coalition attacks had left more than 40 extremists dead in villages 10 kilometre- away from Trinkot.

More than 1,000 people mostly Taleban-linked militants have been killed in the ongoing insurgency since the beginning of this year.—MNA/Xinhua



A hanging installation titled 'Expressions' by artist Sophie Caves at the Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum in Glasgow, Scotland on 11 July, 2006.

INTERNET

# Plane crashes in central Pakistan, 45 dead

MULTAN (Pakistan), 11 July— A Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) passenger plane crashed on the outskirts of the central city of Multan on Monday, killing all 45 people on board, the local police chief said.

"Everyone is dead. I am standing at the site," police chief Iftikhar Babar told *Reuters*. Flight PK 688, en route for Lahore before flying on to Islamabad, crashed three minutes after take-off from Multan Airport, said Hasan Jaffery, a PIA spokesman. The Fokker plane was carrying 41 passengers and four crew.

"Bodies are badly charred. The debris has caught fire," a *Reuters* witness said. He said rescue workers from the privately run relief foundation Edhi, the Civil Aviation Authority and the Army were taking part in the rescue operation.

"There are few bodies which are identifiable," said Shahid Pervez, a civil defence official, as rescue workers loaded the corpses into ambulances.

The plane, laden with fuel, burst into flames after crashing near a state primary school, around three kilometres (two miles) from the airport.

Police chief Babar quoted some witnesses as

saying they saw flames coming from the aircraft shortly after it took off, and it appeared to be tilting to the right.

"I saw the plane diving downwards. It hit electricity wires and then crashed after hitting a wall of an orchard," said Mohammad Akram, a farmer who was working his fields. He said the plane burst into flames after impact.

President Pervez Musharraf and Prime Minister Shaukat Aziz both expressed grief over the crash, according to state-run Pakistan Television. Aziz also ordered an inquiry.

MNA/Reuters

## Egyptians freed in Iraq

KUWAIT, 11 July — Three Egyptians kidnapped in Iraq have been freed, Kuwait's private television al-Rai reported on Sunday.

"They are being received by Egyptian authorities at the Iraqi-Kuwaiti border," Rai said.

"The three were freed following intensive efforts by the Egyptian Embassy in Kuwait."

It was not immediately clear when the men were abducted.

A television official identified the three, who work for an Egyptian construction firm, as Salah al-Iraqi, Hassan Ibrahim and Osama Gaweesh.

Three other Egyptians are among 17 hostages held since the start of 2005. Nabil Tawfiq Sulaiman and Mitwali Mohammed Qassem were kidnapped in Iraq on 19 March while Samuel Edward was snatched on 26 September, 2005.

More than 200 foreigners and thousands of Iraqis have been kidnapped since the US-led invasion of Iraq in 2003.

Fifty-nine foreign hostages have been reported killed by their captors. — MNA/Reuters

MNA/Reuters

## UN study says Ukraine canal menaces Danube Delta

GENEVA, 11 July — A major Ukrainian ship canal project slicing through the Danube Delta threatens serious damage to wildlife in one of Europe's major wetlands, a UN scientific commission said on Monday.

The project, the Bystroe Canal, will destroy nesting and feeding sites for unique bird colonies, and spawning and nursery areas for fish important to the economy in both Ukraine and Romania, a report from the UN Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)

found. Officials from the group, which requested the study, said Ukraine needed to come into line with a 1991 convention on cross-border environmental cooperation by beginning joint assessments of the problem with Romania.

"We are confident that

the two countries will now come together on this," said Kaj Barlund, director of the agency's division dealing with environmental issues.

The scientific commission, headed by a Dutch scientist, was established after Romania complained that construction and

dredging for the project — to create a deepwater link between the Danube and the Black Sea — was causing environmental havoc.

MNA/Reuters

## WWF tells G-8 that climate-energy Marshall Plan needed

GENEVA, 11 July— The WWF environmental group on Tuesday urged the Group of Eight nations (G-8) to treat climate change and energy security in one concerted effort, comparable to the post-World War II Marshall Plan.

In a study released ahead of a G-8 meeting in Russia on 15-17 July,

the WWF said the future of global climate and energy supply were closely linked and could not be tackled separately.

"The concept of energy security is meaningless unless it is seen in the wider context of climate security, where the overriding threat is climate change caused primarily by

fossil fuel use," said WWF climate change expert Jennifer Morgan.

The report called for "a serious global 'Climate and Energy Security Plan' similar in dimension to the Marshall Plan", referring to the US-led financial aid package for West European countries devastated by World War II.—MNA/Reuters



Novice cowboy Finnley Hewlitt of Australia goes over the top of horse War Drum during the Novice Saddle Bronco event at the Calgary Stampede Rodeo in Calgary, Alberta, on 11 July, 2006.—INTERNET

# Health and longevity

*Dr Lwin Ko*

"Doctor! My friend U Chit died suddenly last night after suffering from severe chest pain. We were not able to send for a physician as it was about two in the morning", Uncle U San Maung told me.

"It seemed that he died because of his physical and mental exhaustion. His daughter eloped with a young man whom he disapproved of three days ago, and when he found her, she refused to return home with him. It hurt him much," U Chaw expressed his opinion.

"Mental suffering rather than physical suffering might be the cause of his death. Here, I came to remember what rich man Nakulapita asked the Buddha", U Tin Aye said.

"The rich man asked Buddha how to enjoy real peace and happiness for aged persons like him, saying that he could not visit the Buddha and the members of the Sangha for paying obeisance and seeking Ovada very often as he was suffering from physical pain because of ageing.

"The Buddha told him that nobody young or old was free from physical pain; that all must learn to find a practical way that would make them free from mental sufferings and one was to practise."

"The rich man approached and sought Ovada from Shin Sariputtara too to understand the Buddha's teaching more clearly. Shin Sariputtara told him that sometimes mental suffering was the cause of physical

pain because of the wrong belief, and sometimes it was man's extreme attachment to his possessions that made him suffer from mental pain."

"I agree with you U Tin Aye. I have learnt that envy, jealousy, lust, greed, anger and bewilderment can cause mental pain."

"I presume that our friend suffered from heart failure because of his daughter."

I then joined in the discussions, giving my opinion, "In my view we should take lessons from his death based on the quotation — The children are not your own sons and daughters. They come not from you, they come through you. You can give all your love but not all your thoughts and instructions."

U Chaw agreed with me and said, "According to the Buddha's teachings, man suffers illness because of his deeds and mind, bad weather and the food he eats. I have read in a book that anxiety made people die earlier. Trying to be free from anxiety is the way to lead a healthier and longer life."

In support of our discussions, U San Maung told us about a story in which a merchant died because of his extreme greed resulting from his failure to get a gold cup unfairly.

"Violent anger, jealousy and evil mind are also the causes of earlier or sudden death," U Tin Aye said.

"Doctor, please explain the illnesses caused by mental suffering," they requested me.

"What you have discussed is already complete. According to Western medicine, mental illnesses of various kinds can be followed by high blood pressure, cardiac disorder, asthma, gastric ulcer, back pain, paralysis, impotency, insomnia, stroke or ageing."

U Chaw asked me about therapies.

"The best therapy is the Buddha's method. Western scientists were able to compile a book "The relaxation response" only at present after conducting a lot of research work with the help of electronic equipment. Dr Benson after studying various kinds of mental relaxation methods ascertained that the transcendental meditation is the best therapy to cure mental illness and sufferings.

"Another scientist Joseph A Kennedy compiled a book "Passive Relaxation". A Myanmar Sage Leti Pandita U Maung Gyi in his Surasati Niti said that anxiety may cause mental and physical sufferings and even death.

U Tin Aye thanked me for my discussion which he praised it to be comprehensive and valuable, adding, "We Myanmar already have the Buddha's teachings that include meditation and mindfulness."

"We are no stranger to Buddha's teachings although we cannot practise it daily," said U San Maung, who asked me, "Doctor, could you please tell me the best and easiest way to follow the Buddha's teachings and practise His methods?"

"What my mentors taught me is that we all should practise moderation concerning problems; should not entertain hard feelings towards life; should not have grudge to anyone; should keep ourselves free from jealousy; should refrain from rivalry; should not enlarge or recall the problems; should learn more Buddhist literature to make mind and body more gentle and civilized and to have the optimistic view."

As discussed by U Tin Aye referring the Jataka story about Nakulapita, the rich man, we all will enjoy longevity if we can free ourselves from mental pain even though we do have physical sufferings.

(Translation: TMT)

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## Lucky draw programme for Cherry Oo customers

YANGON, 12 July — Cherry Oo Watch Shop held a lucky draw programme for its customers, who bought its products during the period from February to June, at the Central Hotel this morning.

First, General Manager

U Yan Naing Kyaw of Cherry Oo Export & Import Co Ltd extended greetings and film stars and journalists chose lucky draw winners.

The lucky draw programme was also attended by responsible persons of Yangon Cherry Oo Watch Shop as well as of the branches of Mandalay and Taungyi.

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**Lucky draw winners being chosen with the help of film star Lu Minn.**

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## Relief work for flood victims stepped up

NAY PYI TAW, 12 July — Members of Myanmar Police Force and social organizations have stepped up relief work after some parts of the country were flooded due to torrential rains.

On 11 July, some low-lying areas in Kyaikmaraw were flooded as Attayan River's water level rose to as high as 520 centimetres. Residents in the areas were evacuated to temporary shelters and schools were closed. Members of the police force, the fire brigade, the Red Cross Society and social organizations provided

assistance and carried out relief work. There have been no reports of casualties and loss of property.

Although heavy rain also caused damage to the railways of Mawlamyine-Dawei Railroad Section, the rail transportation could resume on 10 July.

The torrential rains also caused floods in Thandwe, Taungup and Gwa in Rakhine State on 8 July and flood victims were transported to temporary shelters. The flood waters totally receded yesterday.

In Kawlin Township, Sagaing Division, Hngatpyawtaw Creek

was swollen and Hngatpyawtaw Dam burst its earthen embankment at 1 am on 10 July.

On 11 July, Shwegyin Creek in Shwegyin, Bago Division, exceeded its danger level and flooded some low-lying areas. Flood victims were evacuated to relief centres and schools were closed temporarily.

During the floods, a pillar of the wooden bridge across the Sittong Canal in Thanatpin, Bago Division, was damaged, and the bridge is thus closed while it is under repair.

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General Thura Shwe Mann unveils the stone plaque of Chaungmange Dam. — MNA

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Measures are to be taken for enhancing the interests of the farmers and the nation and ensuring food security of the people by extending sown acreage

round development of other sectors in strengthening the economy of the people and the state. Now, progress has made in the transport and commercial sectors by properly dis-

tional races groups that followed the armed struggle line resulting from the past alien plot to sow discord have returned to the legal fold at present. The people warmly welcomed

Mein Sin, with the rank of vice chief of staff and 758 brigade commander of SSAS who returned to the legal fold after realizing the government's goodwill and its endeavours for

people.

In the past and also at present, the Tatmadaw has served public interest as the state, the Tatmadaw government and the armed forces. It has also paved the way to shape of the

the weaknesses of the previous constitutions has been in the process of implementing the seven-step Road Map for emergence of a peaceful, modern and developed discipline-flourishing democratic state in accord with the genuine public wish without tolerating any attempts to jeopardize independence and sovereignty. Its endeavours are for the benefit of the people at present and in the future also. The entire people should take part in the government-led efforts to ensure national peace and stability and the rule of law, to strengthen the sound economic foundations and to enhance people's knowledge to enable them to differentiate between good and bad. The efforts will enable people to practise democracy and human rights correctly.

National development depends on individual development. From individuals, households, villages, wards, townships, districts, provinces and the nation emerges. For individual development (See page 9)



General Thura Shwe Mann and party pose for documentary photo at the opening of Chaungmange Dam. — MNA

with effective use of the water from the dam, promoting capacity of crop cultivation and boosting per acre yield of the crops.

And the farmers will be able to stand as reliable citizens who can serve the interests of the nation and their own by cultivating high-yield crops in the well-prepared farmland with effective use of the irrigation water along with advanced agricultural methods. Cultivating other suitable crops under the aegis of the government has contributed towards the economic development of the nation.

The government has paid serious attention to the development of agriculture as the base and all-

tributing the agricultural produce, produced through effective implementation of the economic objectives, to the markets.

Thanks to the sound national economy, the government has been making significant efforts to develop social activities including the health sector. Because of public participation the living standard is further improving. The government has been building roads and bridges in the entire nation, ensuring peace, stability and the rule of law, and restoring national consolidation. The people are enjoying the fruits of government's development endeavours.

Almost all the na-

a large number of men under the command of

the benefit of the Union together with the entire

future. The Tatmadaw after taking the lessons of



Commander Brig-Gen Wai Lwin and Minister Maj-Gen Htay Oo formally open Chaungmange Dam. — MNA



**With considerable success in restoring stability...**

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all should value time, observe discipline, work hard, apply advanced techniques, and possess patriotism and Union Spirit. Only then will the nation be able to make progress.

People who love the nation always take pride in their dutiful efforts. All should be able to take pride in themselves as good citizens. Collective efforts by the government and the

category, health, economic and social infrastructures. Local people are urged to value and effectively utilize the emerging sound infrastructures and opportunities for regional interest.

In conclusion, he urged local people to maintain the dam, preserve the watershed area, use water systematically, realize crop cultivation targets, and serve national interest



**General Thura Shwe Mann and party inspect Chaungmange Dam. — MNA**



**General Thura Shwe Mann cordially converses with locals at the opening of Chaungmange Dam. — MNA**

farmers for boosting production of the agricultural sector.

On behalf of the local people, local farmer U Htay Win thanked the Government for construction of the dam. Next, General Thura Shwe Mann cordially greeted the locals and unveiled the stone inscription of the dam. The General and party sprinkled scented water on it. Commander Brig-Gen Wai Lwin and Minister Maj-Gen Htay Oo formally opened the dam. Afterwards, they posed for documentary photo with local people. General Thura Shwe

dam can store 91,770 acre-foot water. One 50-kilowatt generator will be installed at the dam for production of 0.6 million kilowatt hours yearly. The dam will irrigate 8,000 acres of farmland.

Before the opening ceremony, Minister Maj-Gen Htay Oo reported to General Thura Shwe Mann on completion of dam clusters in Lewe region including Chaungmange Dam.

General Thura Shwe Mann gave instructions on systematic implementation of dam projects, extension of cultivated lands around the dam, establishment of model villages around the



**Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Maj-Gen Htay Oo. — MNA**

lakes irrigated 20,726 acres of farmland in Lewe Township before 1998. Thanks to completion of four irrigation facilities including Chaungmange Dam, 16,400 more acres of land can be irrigated after 1998. On behalf of the local people in Nay Pyi Taw Command area, the commander thanked the Head of State and the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation for carrying out development of agricultural sector, greening the region and dam projects. Therefore, he urged all to safeguard the dam and maintain its durability.

Next, Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Maj-Gen Htay Oo said that

Myanmar is rich in fertile lands and favourable climatic condition. Water supply facilities are being set up for development of the agriculture sector in a short time. Thanks to completion of the dam, more areas of cultivation of monsoon paddy, sesame, groundnut and maize can be supplied with irrigation facilities. In addition, cold season crops and summer paddy can be cultivated on the farmlands as double and triple croppings. Due to supply of water to the farmlands, per-acre yield of crops will rise. In conclusion, the minister said that the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation will provide assistance to the

**Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Brig-Gen Wai Lwin. — MNA**



people will overcome all difficulties and lead to progress. The region where Lewe is located has

collectively among the government, the Tatmadaw and the people.

Commander Brig-Gen Wai Lwin delivered an address. He said that a total of eight dams and

Mann and party inspected the dam.

Chaungmange Dam is of earth embankment. It has 103 square-miles of watershed area. The embankment is 96 feet high and 2,150 feet long. The

dam, growing of physic nut plants in the area where paddy and other crops cannot be cultivated, and efforts to be made for meeting the production target of the crops.

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**Local farmer U Htay Win. — MNA**

become the hub and administrative centre of the nation. In accordance with the new constitution to be adopted, Nay Pyi Taw will become the nation's capital, heading for further development of regional edu-



**Chaungmange Dam near Pannyosan Village in Lewe Township, Pyinmana District. — MNA**

# USDA membership applications of faculty members, students presented in Monywa



Commander Maj-Gen Tha Aye pressing the button to launch Chan Hla Vessel. — MNA

YANGON, 12 July — A ceremony to present membership applications of the Union Solidarity and Development Association was held at Monywa Institute of Economics on 7 July.

It was attended by members of the Panel of Patrons of the USDA (Central) Chairman of Sagaing Division Peace and Development Council Commander of North-West Command Maj-Gen Tha Aye, Secretariat Member of USDA Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan and CEC Member Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint.

Associate Professor Daw Maw Maw Khin presented 1,251 membership applications of faculty members, staff and students of the university to Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint.

At Monywa University, Rector Dr Maung Htoo presented 2,223 membership applications to CEC member Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint.

At the USDA membership application presentation ceremonies at Monywa Institute of Economics and Monywa University, the commander and Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan donated K 500,000 each and Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint, one set of computer each and sports gear to officials.

On the occasions, Commander Maj-Gen Tha Aye gave a speech. He said that nowadays, the

Government, the Tatmadaw and the people are carrying out development of the nation. The USDA is the main strength of the people. Likewise, students are included in the association. The USDA is serving the interest of the people.

Next, Secretariat Member Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan said that he warmly welcomed the youths who joined the USDA. They will be reliable persons for the association. The USDA is serving the national duty such as non-disintegration of the Union, non-disintegration of national solidarity and perpetuation of sovereignty.

Today's youths are to realize situation of the history and the present. As such, they will have the capabilities to conscientiously discharge the national duties in the future. After studying the history, they are to strive for development of the nation.

CEC member Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint also gave a speech.

Afterwards, the commander and the ministers attended the ceremony to launch Chan Hla Vessel at Chindwin Dock in Monywa.

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CEC Member Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint accepts membership applications.—MNA

## USDA Secretariat Member makes field trip to rural regions

NAY PYI TAW, 12 July — Secretariat Member of the Union Solidarity and Development Association Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan inspected the wall magazine at Meiktila District Information and Public Relations Department on 4 July morning.

Next, the minister proceeded to the re-transmission station of

Myanmar Radio and Television in Sagaing and inspected re-transmission tasks.

The station is re-transmitting MRTV-4 programmes to townships of Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions. Arrangements are being made to cover extending the re-transmission works to cover more townships of Sagaing Division.

At the ceremony to

grow physic nut plants in the precinct of Kaunghmudaw Stupa, the minister gave a speech and participated in the physic nut growing ceremony.

Afterwards, the minister inspected Yathetpan self-reliant village library in Gwaybindaw Village in Myinmu Township. He donated K 30,000 for the library to the librarian.

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Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan inspects tasks of Meiktila District IPRD. — MNA



Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan plants a physic nut sapling. — MNA



Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan inspects Yathetpan self-reliant library in Gwaybindaw Village, Myinmu Township. — MNA

## MWAF donates desks, cash to Thirimingala monastic education school

YANGON, 12 July — Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation donated desks and cash to Thirimingala monastic education school, Tamway Township this morning.

Present on the occasion were the Presiding Sayadaw of Thirimingala monastery, members of Sangha, Vice-President of MWAF Daw Khin Thet Htay, Head of Administration Department Dr Daw Khin Hsan Nwe and members, Patron of Yangon Division Women's Affairs Organization Daw Mar Mar Wai, departmental officials, chairpersons of

Division, District and Township WAOs and executives, local authorities, the chairman of school supervisory committee, teachers and responsible persons.

First, the congregation received the Five Precepts from the Sayadaw Maha Saddhamajotikadhaja Bhaddanta Aggavamsa.

Next, Vice-President of MWAF Daw Khin Thet Htay, Patron of Yangon Division WAO Daw Mar Mar Wai and Head of Administration Department Dr Daw Khin Hsan Nwe donated Waso robes and provisions to the Sayadaw and members of

Sangha.

Afterwards, Vice-President of MWAF Daw Khin Thet Htay and Head of Administration Department Dr Daw Khin Hsan Nwe presented 34 desks worth K 1,020,000 and cash K 300,000 to Chairman of School Supervisory Committee U Aung Kyaw Soe.

Next, School Supervisory Committee U Aung Kyaw Soe spoke words of thanks.

After the ceremony, Vice-President of MWAF Daw Khin Thet Htay and officials looked into sanitation works in the school.

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MWAF Vice-President Daw Khin Thet Htay and Dr Daw Khin Hsan Nwe present desks worth K 1,020,000 for Thirimingala monastic education school to Chairman U Aung Kyaw Soe. — MNA

## NAM does not consider situation in Myanmar constitutes threat to international peace and security

### NAM opposes unanimously attempts to inscribe Myanmar's situation under UNSC agenda

YANGON, 12 July — Member countries of Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) opposed unanimously the proposal by a member of the Security Council to inscribe the situation in Myanmar under the agenda of the Security Council saying that the situation in Myanmar does not pose a threat to international peace and security.

At the Coordinating Bureau Meeting of NAM held on 6 July 2006, representatives of Myanmar's neighbouring countries, ASEAN members Cambodia, Indonesia and Vietnam, and Sri Lanka said that they do not consider the situation in Myanmar constitutes a threat to international peace and security, and oppose attempts by a member of the UNSC to inscribe the situation in Myanmar under the agenda of the UN Security Council.

Moreover, representatives of Africa and Latin America said that as Myanmar's neighbouring countries and regional countries reaffirmed that the situation in Myanmar does not pose a threat to international peace and security, the situation in Myanmar should not be inscribed under the agenda of the Security Council. Members of NAM India, Indonesia, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka, and Cuba, Venezuela and Guatemala from Latin America and Nigeria and Egypt from Africa also opposed the

attempts by a member of the Council and 22 members expressed their support.

Chairman of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement Mr Hamidon Ali sent a letter to Mr Jean-Mare de la Sablieva, President of the Security Council, on 10 July.

(Following is the full text of the letter.)

On behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM), I have the honour to convey to you, in your capacity as President of the Security Council of the United Nations, the concerns that have been expressed by Member Countries of the NAM on the proposal by a member of the Security Council to inscribe the situation in Myanmar under the agenda of the Security Council, with a view to adopting a draft resolution thereof.

The Non-Aligned Movement reaffirms its principled positions pertaining to the cardinal requirement to uphold and respect for the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, maintain the relationship between the Security Council and other principal organs of the United Nations in accordance with the Charter, in particular on the question of encroachment by the Council on the functions and powers of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council, as well as other matters

related thereto. The principled positions of the Movement of these issues have been transmitted to the President of the Security Council for the month of February 2006 and 20 February 2006 as contained in documents S/2006/85 and S/2006/111, respectively, copies of which are enclosed herewith.

The Non-Aligned Movement stresses once again that the decision by the Security to initiate formal or informal discussion on the situation in any Member State of the United Nations or any issue that does not constitute a threat to international peace and security as contrary to Article 24 of the Charter of the United Nations. The NAM does not consider the situation in Myanmar constitutes a threat to international peace and security, and opposes attempts by a member of the Council to categorize Myanmar as such. Therefore, inscribing this issue under the agenda of the Council would be in violation of the purposes and principles of the Charter, in particular Article 24. In this regard, the Movement further stresses once again the need for the Council to uphold the primary of and full respect for the Charter in carrying out its duties and responsibilities.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration. — MNA

## Wealthy Brazilian lady keeps tons of garbage at home

RIO DE JANEIRO, 12 July — A 70-year-old woman on Monday delivered herself to the police in Brazil's largest city Sao Paulo and is likely to face the charges of endangering public health.

On Sunday, the local police broke into Violeta de Carvalho Martinez's house in Itaim Bibi neighbourhood on request

of her neighbour, who said Mrs Martinez had been missing for four days.

The police then found the 350-square-metre building was filled with garbage and rats, but did not see the old lady. They had thought Mrs Martinez could be lying dead within the piles of garbage until she showed up Monday at the 15th Precinct.

Police Chief Maria

Aparecida Resende Corsato said the old lady might suffer from some kind of compulsion that made her collect and store garbage at home for about 20 years. According to the police, the garbage was stocked from the floor to the ceiling in all rooms of the house, and the lady slept in a Fiat car parked in her garage.

MNA/Xinhua

## Monsoon rains trigger floods and death in S Asia

LUCKNOW (India), 12 July — Monsoon rains have inundated large parts of Uttar Pradesh State in India, and 21 people were killed in drownings, house collapses and lightning strikes over the weekend, officials said on Monday.

In neighbouring Bangladesh, at least 12 people have died in landslides or after being hit by lightning over the

past two days in heavy rainstorms in the nation's east.

Across India, at least 250 people have been killed since the start of the monsoon season in June.

The heavy rains have caused power outages for several hours across Uttar Pradesh, India's most populous state.

Last week, more than 80 people died in

extreme monsoon weather in western and eastern India and normal life in large parts of Mumbai ground to a halt for two days as downpours hit India's financial hub.

In Uttar Pradesh, people slammed the government for not undertaking measures to prevent waterlogging and flooding.

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**Three Gorges reservoir ready to hold more water**

BEIJING, 11 July — The Three Gorges Hydro-Power Project on China's Yangtze River is ready to store record amount of water after the summer flood season.

The reservoir, situated in Yichang in central China's Hubei Province is ready to hold water to the level of 156 metres from present 135 metres, which has been maintained since the reservoir began to store water in June 2003.

Officials with the State Council Three Gorges Project Construction Committee said the quality of the clean-up work at the reservoir site has met the state objective and requirements.

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**Buddha-Painting Unfolding Festival underway in Tibet**

LHASA, 11 July — The three-day Buddha-Painting Unfolding Festival got underway in the Tashillunpo Monastery in China's Tibet Autonomous Region on Monday, drawing some 10,000 Tibetan Buddhist believers and visitors to pay their respects.

The thangka - a large piece of silk embroidery - of the Past Buddha, 35-metres-tall and 40-metres-long, was laid out on a 538-year-old stone platform at 8 am on Sunday, while attendants prayed on the monastery square in Xigaze, the second largest city of Tibet.

People passed by the painting in line at 11 am, many of whom flung hadaa — white silk fabric used to pay respect — to the thangka or bowed in prayer. At midday, the thangka was folded again for the next year.

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4. Tenders will be closed at 16:00 hrs on 6 August 2006.

**ADB finances water management project in China**

MANILA, 11 July — The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has agreed to provide a 100-million-US dollar loan to China to help improve urban environment, public health, and quality of life of residents and businesses in central China's Wuhan city through better management of its water resources, said the ADB on Monday.

Rapid economic growth and urbanization over the last 25 years have resulted in inadequate urban infrastructure and placed pressure on overloaded facilities in Wuhan, said the ADB in a newsrelease.

The project comprises nine activities covering municipal wastewater management, storm water management, and development of utilities.

It will construct new and upgrade existing wastewater treatment facilities, extend and rehabilitate collection networks, and add larger-capacity stormwater pumping stations.

"The project will provide the 10 per cent additional capacity critical to achieving the city's target of 80 per cent treatment of the wastewater generated by 2010," says Sangay Penjor, an ADB Principal Financial Specialist.

More than three million urban residents of Wuhan will benefit from reduced water pollution, protection from flooding, eliminated hazards from poor drainage, and reduced incidence of waterborne diseases, said the ADB.

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**India aims to enrol 3 mln children with special needs in schools**

**NEW DELHI, 11 July — Buoyed by the success in the enrolment of children with special needs in schools under the ambitious 'Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan' (Education for all) campaign, Indian Government has set a target of enrolling over three million such children in the current year.**

From 566,000 Children With Special Needs (CWSN) admitted in schools in 2002-03, the enrolment of such children currently stands at 1.705 million "The target for the current year includes 3.038 million CWSN in 34 states, barring Sikkim," a source in Union Human Resource Development Ministry said.

Observing that education of children with special needs is an

important component of the SSA, he said besides increasing the physical coverage, the expenditure on inclusive education has also shown an upward trend. From a mere 26 per cent expenditure in 2003-04, the states have shown an overall expenditure of 65.50 per cent on CWSN related activities in 2005-06.

"The focus of SSA is now on reaching out to those out of school CWSN

not covered so far and developing a strategy that will ensure that every child with special needs receives continuing on site support," the source said.

SSA, which ensures that every child with special needs is provided meaningful and quality education, has provided upto 1,200 rupees per child for integration of disabled children, as per specific proposal, per year. The SSA has adopted

a more expansive and a broad-based understanding of the concept of inclusion wherein a multi-option model of educating CWSN is being implemented, he said.

Though most states have identified and enrolled CWSN in schools, they differ in approaches and strategies adopted to achieve the ultimate objective of inclusion.

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### Astronauts fix space station's rail cart

**HOUSTON, 11 July** — Two spacewalking astronauts repaired a transport system outside the *International Space Station* on Monday, paving the way for NASA to resume assembly of the half-built, 100-billion-US-dollar complex later this year.

The high-flying repairman from the space shuttle *Discovery* wrestled with a spate of problems during the nearly seven-hour spacewalk, including the partial disconnection of astronaut Piers Sellers' emergency jet backpack.

"What else could happen, man?" one of the astronauts said when a new cable assembly for the mobile rail cart was finally put into position on the space station.

"Don't ask," came the reply. Sellers had problems with his jet-powered backpack, a small but critical piece of equipment that could save an astronaut's life if the safety tethers that keep him attached to the station should fail.

While the space shuttle

is docked at the station, it cannot fly around to rescue an astronaut who inadvertently floats off into space. Sellers' backpack came loose twice during the spacewalk. Partner Michael Fossum came to his aid, bypassing a faulty clamp on the backpack with a short tether.

Repairs to the rail cart, which runs along tracks on the outside of the space station, were needed to haul heavy station components to their proper locations for installation.

The cart has been out of commission since December, when its power and data cable was inadvertently severed. Sellers and Fossum installed a new cable and reel assembly.

Without the cart, NASA would not be able

to resume space station assembly, which if all goes well, would begin with the launch of shuttle *Atlantis* on 28 August. Construction was halted after the 2003 *Columbia* disaster.

NASA needs to finish construction of the space station by 2010 when the three-ship fleet is scheduled for retirement. Shuttles are the only spacecraft that can deliver the station's major components.

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Spacewalker Mike Fossum works on the equipment pallet in the payload bay of the Shuttle *Discovery* during the mission's second spacewalk in this view from NASA TV on 10 July, 2006.—INTERNET

## Singapore NTU launches Yang Chen Ning Scholars Programme

**SINGAPORE, 11 July** — Singapore's Nanyang Technological University (NTU) launched a Yang Chen Ning Scholars Programme on Monday.

Speaking at the launching ceremony, Singapore's Minister of State for Education Lui Tuck Yew said that the programme is designed for top students who are passionate in science and technology. "It is vital that Singapore nurtures a group of bright young

people who are keen to delve into the deepest fundamentals of science and who can bring such value to our industries," Lui said.

He added that the programme will help train a special pool of students and arm them with a deep and broad science

education, who are needed in building Singapore into a research-intensive, knowledge-driven, innovative economy.

Yang Chen Ning, a professor at China's Qinghua University, was present at the ceremony.

He arrived in Sin-

gapore on 7 July to pay a six-day visit and to attend the 37th International Physics Olympiad. A record number of 690 participants from around 90 countries and regions are here for the 10-day competition, which opened Sunday at NTU.

MNA/Xinhua

## Return of soprano queen with slim shape

**BELING, 11 July** — A famous American soprano fired by the Royal Opera House because of her weight has been rehired after undergoing stomach surgery and losing 61kg, her spokesperson and the prestigious theatre said on Sunday.

Californian Deborah Voigt, one of the world's top opera singers, was sacked by the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden in London, from her role in Richard Strauss's opera *Ariadne* on *Naxos* in 2004.

She was too fat, the opera house said.

She now has a contract to return to the role in the 2007-2008 season, a Royal Opera spokesperson said, speaking on condition of anonymity because the house does not officially announce its casts so far in advance.

Voigt underwent gastric bypass surgery in June 2004. She has since lost 61 kilograms. She said she had worn size 30 clothes at her biggest. She is now a size 14 and well on her way to a slinky size 12.

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## Nine people to face trial for Britain's largest robbery

**LONDON, 11 July** — Nine people accused of taking part in the biggest robbery in British history are to be tried at the Old Bailey next April, Sky news reported on Monday.

Six men and three women have been charged with offences relating to the 53-million-pound (97.52 million US dollars) raid, which took place in February at a Securitas depot in Kent, in the southeast of the country.

The defendants face charges ranging from conspiracy to commit robbery and kidnapping to handling stolen goods.— MNA/Xinhua

## WB supports Indonesian education project for poor children

**JAKARTA, 11 July** — The World Bank will support an early-age education and growth project with a total fund of 128 million US dollars in Indonesia.

The bank will give 67.5 million US dollars to the project while 25.3 million US dollars will come from the Dutch Government and the remaining from the Indonesian Government, said a statement issued on Monday by the World Bank office in Jakarta. The project is aimed at reducing the number of dropouts among elementary school students, the statement said.

World Bank Representative in Indonesia Andrew Steer said that the project was also expected to develop more productive community and lessen juvenile delinquency.

The project would copy a similar project which was successfully implemented in 11 regencies for nine years in the country.

Indonesia's national education programme has set a target of reaching around 740,000 children from the poorest families in 3,000 villages. Under the programme, children below six-year old and their parents would receive a grant to prepare the children for early-age education in special centres established for that purposes. In the centres, young mothers and children will learn knowledge about health and nutrition.

MNA/Xinhua



A man swims in the Mediterranean sea in the east coast of the Balearic island of Mallorca on 11 July, 2006. Picture taken on 11 July, 2006.— INTERNET

## SPORTS



**Captain Zinedine Zidane and player Franck Ribery (R) appear before supporters on the balcony of the Crillon Hotel, overlooking Place de la Concorde, where crowds gathered during their World Cup 2006 homecoming in Paris on 10 July, 2006.—INTERNET**

## Fourth official says saw Zidane headbutt with own eyes

MADRID, 12 July—The fourth official who was responsible for alerting the referee that Zinedine Zidane had headbutted Italian defender Marco Materazzi in the World Cup final has said he saw the incident as it happened.

Spaniard Luis Medina Cantalejo said television replays played no part in his decision to inform referee Horacio Elizondo of the Frenchman's aggression as the two players trotted back after a corner.

"I saw it happen live, I didn't invent anything," Medina Cantalejo told Spanish radio station Cadena Ser on Tuesday. "The ball was elsewhere and that was where the referee was looking, while the linesman was getting back into position.

"I always tell my fourth official to keep an eye on the players because things can happen as the players

get back into position and that is all I did."

Zidane, playing his final game before retiring from professional football, was sent off in the second period of extra time in the World Cup final with the score at 1-1 and Italy went on to win the game on penalties.

It was the 14th time that the Frenchman has been sent off in his career.

Medina Cantalejo rejected suggestions from France coach Raymond Domenech that the sending off had been provoked by the television replays.

"I respect his opinion, but that is not what happened. This incident shows how important the fourth official is. My job is to help the referee and that is exactly what I did."

The Spaniard told sports daily *Marca*: "I don't know what Materazzi said beforehand, but there were

## FIFA to investigate Zidane head-butting

LONDON, 12 July—FIFA will open a disciplinary investigation into the circumstances surrounding France captain Zinedine Zidane's head-butt on Italy's Marco Materazzi during the World Cup final.

Playing the last match of a great career, the French midfielder drove his head into Materazzi's chest in the second period of extra time in Berlin after exchanging comments with the Italian.

"FIFA will open a disciplinary investigation into Zidane's conduct to enable it to clarify the circumstances surrounding the incident as exactly as possible," world soccer's governing body said in a statement.

What exactly was said

between the two remains a mystery although Materazzi has denied allegations he called Zidane a "dirty terrorist".

"I used an insult that I've heard used a dozen times and which is heard all the time on the pitch," Materazzi told the *Gazzetta dello Sport* newspaper when asked whether he had insulted Zidane's sister.

"I certainly did not call him a terrorist: I'm ignorant, I don't even know exactly what an Islamic terrorist is ... I also certainly didn't say anything about Zidane's mother: for me, a mother is sacrosanct."

Italy won the final in a penalty shootout after Zidane was sent off for the head-butt.

There was further controversy when the incident

was brought to the attention of referee Horacio Elizondo by the fourth official at the match, prompting suggestions that he had used television replays.

In an ironic touch, Zidane was later declared the outstanding player of the tournament, the winner of FIFA's Golden Ball award, in a vote decided by the media.

FIFA could not confirm how many of those votes were cast before the

34-year-old's red card. "The votes were cast into ballot boxes in the media centre in Berlin that remained open until midnight on the day of the final," it said.

"It is impossible to determine how many journalists cast their votes before the match and how many during it, as the ballot papers were not counted until after the deadline for voting had expired."

MNA/Reuters

## Berlin World Cup official shoots himself in head

BERLIN, 12 July—Berlin's top World Cup official shot himself in the head hours after the tournament ended on Sunday night but survived his apparent suicide attempt, a police spokesman said on

Tuesday.

Emergency services found the man, who was the Berlin local government's representative on the World Cup organizing committee, at his house in the suburbs of Berlin early on Monday.

The *Berliner Zeitung* daily reported that the man, a 65-year-old widower called Juergen Kiessling, had left two suicide notes, one for his daughter and one for his family.

Citing a police source, the newspaper said Kiessling had "political" problems. German media said his condition remained life-threatening.

Berlin hosted the World Cup final on Sunday when more than a million fans spilled on to the city's streets as Italy beat France 5-3 on penalties, concluding the four-week event.

MNA/Reuters



**Most Valuable Player Michael Young of the Texas Rangers holds up his trophy after the American League beat the National League in the 77th annual All-Star baseball game in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on 11 July, 2006.—INTERNET**

## Klinsmann not to renew Germany contract

BERLIN, 12 July—German national soccer coach Juergen Klinsmann has decided not to extend his contract, which expired at the end of the World Cup, German media reported on Tuesday.

Klinsmann has told the co-president of the German soccer federation, Theo Zwanziger, that he will not be staying on, *Bild* newspaper said in a preview of its Wednesday edition, without identifying its source.

Munich's *Sueddeutsche Zeitung* also reported that the former Germany striker had decided to step down, while German sports news agency *SID* said team manager Oliver Bierhoff had indirectly confirmed Klinsmann's decision.

MNA/Reuters

## Domenech to remain as France coach

PARIS, 12 July—Raymond Domenech will stay on as coach after leading France to the World Cup final, the French Football Federation (FFF) said on Tuesday.

Domenech, who took over from Jacques Santini after Euro 2004, was offered an extension to his two-year contract and he accepted it, the FFF said on their website.

"Taking into account the excellent performance of France during the World Cup, the federal committee unanimously offered Raymond Domenech the chance to carry on his mission as national coach," a statement said.

France lost Sunday's World Cup final to Italy on penalties and start their qualifying programme for Euro 2008 in September.

"I'm proud of this team and I'm proud of Raymond Domenech," federation chairman Jean-Pierre Escalettes told a news conference.

"Many of our dreams came true (during the World Cup). The players honoured the blue shirt with their commitment."

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## Algerian President backs Zidane over head-butt

LONDON, 12 July—The President of Algeria said on Tuesday he had sent a letter of support to Zinedine Zidane after the French soccer captain was sent off in the World Cup final for head-butting an Italian opponent.

President Abdelaziz Bouteflika described Zidane, the son of Algerian immigrants, as "a World Cup demi-god" and the best footballer in the world.

"Yesterday I sent a personal letter on my behalf and on behalf of all the Algerian people to express my solidarity and my friendship to Zidane, and to give him some comfort," Bouteflika told a news conference in London after talks with British Prime Minister Tony Blair.

"He was a demi-god of the World Cup, but five minutes later for many people unfortu-

nately he become something that sports men should shy away from," said the president, speaking through a translator.

"He has not lost his own human dimension."

The match was Zidane's last in competitive football and Bouteflika said it was not for others to judge the footballer's actions.

"We support him because he is Algerian, we support him because he is the best ... he's the best in the world. It was necessary for Algeria to express itself and to side with him."

MNA/Reuters



**Rabobank's team rider Oscar Freire of Spain (L) and Davitamon's team rider Robbie McEwen of Australia (R) sprint to the finish line with the pack of riders to win the 9th stage of the 93rd Tour de France cycling race between Bordeaux and Dax, on 11 July, 2006.—INTERNET**

# Explosions hit train network in Mumbai, over 160 killed

NEW DELHI, 12 July — Over 160 people were killed and more than 400 others injured when seven powerful bombs ripped through crowded commuter trains in Mumbai Tuesday, Indian police and officials said.

More than 160 people were killed in the series of explosions that rocked commuter rail network during rush hour Tuesday evening, *The Press Trust of India* (PTI) news agency, citing officials, said.

Mumbai Police Chief A N Roy put the number of injured to more than 400 in the explosions in the financial capital of India.

The blasts occurred at packed railway stations

or on trains in the Matunga, Khar, Mahim, Jogeshwari, Borivali and Bhayander localities in and around Mumbai and a seventh blast occurred at a subway near Khar.

The first blast took place at 6:25 pm in a commuter train near Khar station and other explosions quickly followed, the *Indo-Asian News Service* said.

Most of the deaths are believed to have occurred at just one station,

Matunga, where a deafening explosion ripped through a train carriage.

The explosions tore through at least two compartments packed with people returning home from work.

Hundreds of people living in buildings adjoining the railway stations and surviving passengers rushed to railway station amid incessant rains and picked up bodies splattered on the tracks.

MNA/Xinhua



A TV grab shows a damaged train hit by a blast in Mumbai, on 11 July, 2006. A series of seven explosions killed at least 170 people on crowded commuter trains and stations in the evening rush hour in the Indian financial capital of Mumbai on Tuesday. —INTERNET

# Malaysian police crack major drug ring

KUALA LUMPUR, 12 July — Malaysian police has cracked a major international drug syndicate in northern Malaysia and arrested 21 people, local reports said on Tuesday.

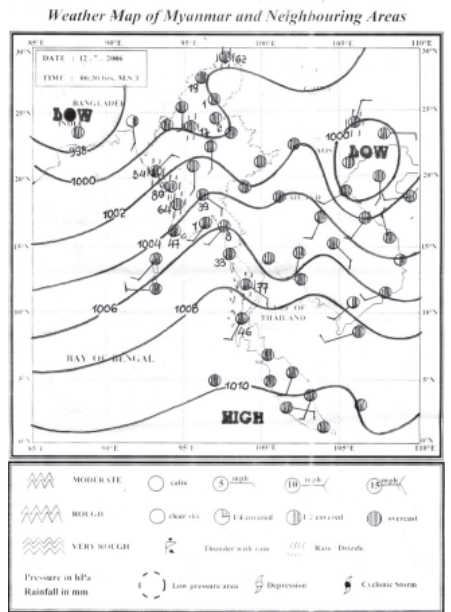
The police also seized ecstasy pills worth of 14.4 million ringgit (3.89 million US dollars) in their operations launched separately at Kulim in the state of Kedah and another area in the state of Pinang, the *News Straits Times* said.

The ring, led by a 42-year-old chemist, ran a drug lab within a factory, which manufactures cosmetics, soaps and concoct drugs and smuggles them in Malaysia and other regions like Australia and Japan, the newspaper said.

Malaysian Deputy Prime Minister Najib Tun Razak said that the syndicate was believed to have been actively involved in local and international drug trafficking.

The 21 suspects arrested, including the chemist, were aged between 19 and 52, and they may face death sentences if convicted.

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## WEATHER

Wednesday, 12 July, 2006

**Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours MST:** During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in lower Sagaing Division, rain have been isolated in Magway Division, scattered in Shan and Kayah States, upper Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions, fairly widespread to widespread in the remaining areas with locally heavyfalls in Rakhine State and isolated heavyfalls in Bago, Mandalay and Taninthayi Divisions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Tounggoo (Aviation Met Office) (6.18) inches, Thandwe (5.04) inches, Sittway (3.58) inches, Kyaukpyu (3.27) inches, Myeik (3.18) inches, Thaton (2.72) inches, Hpan (2.48) inches, Putao (2.44) inches, and Myingyan (2.36) inches.

Maximum temperature on 11-7-2006 was 88°F. Minimum temperature on 12-7-2006 was 70°F. Relative humidity at 09:30 hours MST on 12-7-2006 was (96%). Total sunshine hours on 11-7-2006 was nil.

Rainfalls on 12-7-2006 were (0.04) inch at Mingaladon, (0.04) inch at Kaba-Aye and (0.16) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfalls since 1-1-2006 were (43.58) inches at Mingaladon, (52.44) inches at Kaba-Aye and (56.30) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (6) mph from Northwest at (11:50) hours MST on 11-7-2006.

**Bay inference:** Monsoon is generally strong in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.

**Forecast valid until evening of 13-7-2006:** Rain will be isolated in lower Sagaing and Magway Divisions, scattered in Kayah and Shan States, Mandalay Division and fairly widespread in Chin State, upper Sagaing and Bago Divisions and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with likelihood of isolated heavyfalls in Mon State, Ayeyawady, Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).


**State of the sea:** Squalls with moderate to rough seas will be experienced at times off and along Myanmar Coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35) to (40) mph. **Outlook for subsequent two days:** Strong monsoon.

**Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring areas for 13-7-2006:** Likelihood of isolated rain. Degree of certainty is (60%).

**Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring areas for 13-7-2006:** One or two rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

**Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring areas for 13-7-2006:** Likelihood of isolated rain. Degree of certainty is (60%).

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**Thursday, 13 July**  
View on today

<p><b>7:00 am</b></p> <p>1. ကျေးဇူးရှင်မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၊ နိုင်ငံတော်သံဃာ့ဗဟိုကော်မတီအဖွဲ့အစည်းတော်ဆောင်ရွက်၊ အဘိဓမ္မာဟောပြောပွဲ၊ အဘိဓမ္မာဟောသဒ္ဒါပညာတော်၊ အဘိဓမ္မာဟောသဒ္ဒါပညာတော်၊ အဘိဓမ္မာဟောသဒ္ဒါပညာတော်</p> <p><b>7:15 am</b></p> <p>2. တိပိဋကဓရ၊ ဓမ္မာစာအုပ်တိုက်၊ အဂ္ဂမဟာပဏ္ဍိတဘိဝံသ(ဗဟိုဆရာတော်)ဗဟိုကြားတော် မှ အပီ သောဠာပညာတော် ပါဠိတော်</p> <p><b>7:25 am</b></p> <p>3. To be healthy exercise</p> <p><b>7:30 am</b></p> <p>4. Morning news</p> <p><b>7:40 am</b></p> <p>5. Nice and sweet song</p>	<p><b>7:50 am</b></p> <p>6. Dance of national races</p> <p><b>8:00 am</b></p> <p>7. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ</p> <p><b>8:05 am</b></p> <p>8. Dance variety</p> <p><b>8:20 am</b></p> <p>9. ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားအစောဆုံး နှစ်ဆယ့်တစ်ခု</p> <p><b>8:30 am</b></p> <p>10. International news</p> <p><b>8:45 am</b></p> <p>11. Let's Go</p> <p><b>4:00 pm</b></p> <p>1. Martial song</p> <p><b>4:15 pm</b></p> <p>2. Song to uphold National Spirit</p> <p><b>4:30 pm</b></p> <p>3. English for Everyday Use</p> <p><b>4:45 pm</b></p> <p>4. Musical programme</p> <p><b>5:00 pm</b></p> <p>5. အဆောင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ - ဒုတိယနှစ် (ဆရာတော်အထူးပြု) (ဆရာတော်)</p> <p><b>5:15 pm</b></p> <p>6. Cute little dancers</p> <p><b>5:30 pm</b></p> <p>7. "ပေါင်ပေါ်ကျတုန်း"</p>	<p>(ရဲအောင်၊ ထွန်းထွန်းနိုင်၊ ညိုညိုမင်းထက်၊ ဘုန်းလှ၊ ဟန်နီထွန်း၊ ဝင်းစုဝင်းသိန်း)</p> <p>(ဒါရိုက်တာ-မောင်မောင်မြင့်လွင်၊ မင်းအုပ်စိုး)</p> <p><b>5:45 pm</b></p> <p>8. Musical programme</p> <p><b>6:00 pm</b></p> <p>9. Evening news</p> <p><b>6:30 pm</b></p> <p>10. Weather report</p> <p><b>6:35 pm</b></p> <p>11. သီရိဓမ္မာ</p> <p><b>7:00 pm</b></p> <p>12. ကြီးပွား တိုးတက်ဆရာ အကျိုးစု ပြုဆောင်ရွက်ပါ</p> <p><b>7:10 pm</b></p> <p>13. နိုင်ငံခြားစာတိုလမ်းတွဲ "ရှင်လိမ္မော်အလှတော်လည်လည်" (အပိုင်း-၅)</p> <p><b>8:00 pm</b></p> <p>14. News</p> <p>15. International news</p> <p>16. Weather report</p> <p>17. နိုင်ငံခြားစာတိုလမ်းတွဲ "မေတ္တာစင်" (အပိုင်း-၁)</p> <p>18. The next day's programme</p>
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**Thursday, 13 July**  
Tune in today

<p><b>8:30 am</b> Brief news</p> <p><b>8:35 am</b> Music: -Paradise</p> <p><b>8:40 am</b> Perspectives</p> <p><b>8:45 am</b> Music: -True to your love</p> <p><b>8:50 am</b> National news &amp; Slogan</p> <p><b>9:00 am</b> Music: -Ain't no particular way</p> <p><b>9:05 am</b> International news</p> <p><b>9:10 am</b> Music: -That's when you know</p> <p><b>1:30 pm</b> News &amp; Slogan</p> <p><b>1:40pm</b> Lunch time music</p> <p>-Somebody for someone</p> <p>-You're the one</p> <p>-Sorry for love</p> <p><b>9:00pm</b> Aspects of Myanmar</p> <p><b>9:10 pm</b> Article</p> <p><b>9:20 pm</b> Pouri</p> <p><b>9:30 pm</b> Favourite songs chosen by music lovers</p> <p><b>9:45 pm</b> News &amp; Slogan</p> <p><b>10:00 pm</b> PEL</p>
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# Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thein Sein receives Italian Ambassador

YANGON, 12 July — Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Lt-Gen Thein Sein received Italian Ambassador Mr Raffaele Miniero who had completed his tour of duty at Zeyathiri Beikman on Konmyinthta, here, at 2 pm

today.

Also present at the call were Director-General U Kyaw Kyaw of the Protocol Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Director-General U Myint Thein of the Pyithu Hluttaw Office. — MNA



*Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thein Sein receives Italian Ambassador Mr Raffaele Miniero.*

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*Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thein Sein shake hands with Italian Ambassador Mr Raffaele Miniero.*

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## INSIDE

*“What my mentors taught me is that we all should practise moderation concerning problems; should not entertain hard feelings towards life; should not have grudge to anyone; should keep ourselves free from jealousy; should refrain from rivalry; should not enlarge or recall the problems; should learn more Buddhist literature to make mind and body more gentle and civilized and to have the optimistic view.”*

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## Entire people totally oppose plot of destructive group to destroy country through unrest

**They are to safeguard peace and tranquillity and better results for development built for many years**

YANGON, 12 July — The government, the people and the Tatmadaw of the Union of Myanmar are endeavouring for emergence of a peaceful, modern developed and discipline-flourishing democratic nation in accord with the desire of the entire people. Now peace and tranquillity and better foundations for development and better conditions for democratization have achieved.

The government on its correct path of development is marching towards the national goal in accord with the seven-step Road Map. At the same time external and internal destructive elements who want to seize State power through shortcut gathered in a neighbouring country and held a meeting to create a commotion in the country and commit terrorist acts. Informa-

tion is received in advance that destructive groups and saboteurs are attempting to destabilize the country and destroy lives and property of the people making contact with groups at home and abroad. This has been made public.

Those who took part in the 88 unrest and members of a political party in the country and its followers are plotting to destabilize the country by distributing agitative leaflets and through demonstrations in collusion with destructive groups sent by terrorists, destructive elements and saboteurs and expatriates using Martyrs Day which falls on 19 July as a tool.

At the same time other armed groups who witnessed stability and development and efforts of the government, the people and the Tatmadaw gave up

their armed struggle line and returned to the legal fold. Local people are very glad to see peace and progress in the respective regions. Moreover, the entire people are also pleased to see better prospects for development and the fact that some regions where there was no peace and stability have now enjoyed peace and tranquillity.

The people who want to earn their living in peace and who do not want the already-achieved peace and tranquillity and better conditions for development to be ruined due to the attempts of external and internal destructive elements bent on seizing State power in shortcut way are making arrangements to guard against the acts of saboteurs and destructive elements, in cooperation with organizations representing the people.

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