

Four political objectives

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

Four economic objectives

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

Four social objectives

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

Senior General Than Shwe felicitates Mexican President

NAY PYI TAW, 16 Sept — Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Vicente Fox Quesada, President of the United Mexican States, on the anniversary of the Independence of the United Mexican States which falls on 16 September 2006. — MNA

True patriotism

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

Nutrition Promotion Week for 2006 marked in Sagaing Div

NAY PYI TAW, 15 Sept — Chairman of Sagaing Division Peace and Development Council Commander of North-West Command Maj-Gen Tha Aye on 8 September morning attended the ceremony to mark the Nutrition Promotion Week for 2006 at the town hall in Monywa and made a speech on the occasion.

Accompanied by officials concerned, the commander gave Vita-

min-A tablets to children and provided expectant mothers with folic acid tablets.

Next, the commander attended a ceremony to mark the International Literacy Day for 2006 and the United Nations Literacy Decade held at No 1 Basic Education High

School in Monywa and addressed the occasion.

After that, the commander and wife presented cash awards to students outstanding in academic and other fields.

Afterwards, the commander and party attended the ceremony to

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Commander Maj-Gen Tha Aye presents prize to an outstanding student at the ceremony to mark International Literacy Day for 2006. — MNA



Pathein hails International Literacy Day for 2006



Commander Maj-Gen Thura Myint Aung gives Vitamin-A tablets to a child.

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NAY PYI TAW, 15 Sept—A ceremony to mark the International Literacy Day for 2006 and the United Nations Literacy Decade was held at No 1 Basic Education High School in Pathein, Ayeyawady Division on 8 September with an address by Chairman of Ayeyawady Division Peace and Development Council Commander of South-West Command Maj-Gen Thura Myint Aung.

The commander presented prizes to Maung Kyaw Khine Htet of No 1

Basic Education Middle School in Pathein who stood first in the high school level essay contest to mark the International Literacy Day for 2006, Ma Hsu Htet Khine of No 1 BEHS in Myaungmya who stood second and Ma Aye Einnna Nyein of No 1 BEHS in Labutta who stood third; Ma Thon Shwe Yi Win Hsu of No 2 BEHS Pathein who stood first in the poster contest, Maung Aung Nyi Nyi Aung of No 1 BEHS in Bogalay who stood sec-

ond and Maung Moe Nyi Nyi of the BEMS in Labutta Township who stood third.

Afterwards, the commander attended the ceremony to commemorate Nutrition Promotion Week for 2006 held at Ayeya Shwewa Hall in Pathein and made a speech on the occasion.

After that, the commander and party gave Vitamin-A tablets to children and provided folic acid tablets to expectant mothers. — MNA

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

PERSPECTIVES

Saturday, 16 September, 2006

Conserve forests for greening regions

Myanmar's forest coverage stands at 52 per cent, and annual export of forest products makes up 22 per cent of the nation's export earnings. So, the development of the forest sector is a factor for the economic growth of the nation.

The Ministry of Forestry has been conserving, protecting and nurturing the forests for making them green and lush ever. Now, the nation's total area of forest reserve, protected forests and natural forests is more than 60,000 square miles.

In the meantime, the government has been taking necessary steps for constant establishment of forest plantations. As a result, so far, the whole nation has witnessed over 1.3 million acres of forest plantations including teak plantations, commercial forests, village firewood plantations, plantations for the agricultural purpose and watershed plantations.

Now, the nation's forest area is on the increase thanks to the nurturing and growing of trees and plants for greening the regions by the Arid Zone Greening Department, and the participation of local residents in the drive for systematically nurturing the trees.

As fruitful results of those concerted efforts, all the regions of the arid zones in Myanmar have been covered with thriving forests.

Myanmar's forest resources contribute towards national development and commercial progress. In the process, natural resources are to be exploited and used efficiently and conserved. At a time when the government is taking measures for environmental conservation and protecting the forests, the entire people, on their part, are to take an active part in conserving protected forests and teak plantations and in regional greening tasks for sustainable development of the nation's forests.

World Buddhist Summit Souvenir Album comes out

NAY PYI TAW, 15 Sept — The Sasana historic World Buddhist Summit was held on a grand scale from 9 to 11 September in 2004 in Maha Pasana Cave on Kaba Aye Hill. At the summit, international Buddhist leaders from 38 countries suggested and briefed on their observations on the propagation and perpetuity of Buddha Sasana.

To remember and make reference to the speeches, messages and research papers of those Buddhist leaders, the World Buddhist Summit Souvenir Album (Bilingual) with over 560 pages has been in circulation. It is available at book shops in Yangon for K 20,000. For detailed information, contact the Ministry of Religious Affairs (Tel: 665385, 665491, 406007). — MNA

Peoples' Desire

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

Tailoring courses, cookery course opened in Kengtung

NAY PYI TAW, 15 Sept—Advanced tailoring course No 15/2006, basic tailoring course No 43/2006 and cookery course No 3/2006 were opened at the Vocational Training School in Kengtung, Shan State (East) on 4 September morning, attended by Chairman of Shan State (East) Peace and Development Council Commander of Triangle Region Command Maj-Gen Min Aung Hlaing and wife, senior military officers, departmental officials, social organizations, course instructors and trainees.

After making a speech on the occasion, the commander greeted the trainees.

The two-week courses are being attended by 30 local young women.

Next, the commander attended a meeting to coordinate agricultural work held at the integrated meeting hall in Kengtung and stressed the need for self-sufficiency in rice in the region and boosting the per acre yield of monsoon paddy and other crops.

Before making the concluding remarks, the commander attended to the needs of those present.

Afterwards, the commander attended a ceremony to present computer sets to basic education schools in Shan State (East) held at the hall of Development Affairs Committee in Kengtung and made a speech on the occasion.

Officials, on behalf of well-wishers in Kengtung and Tachilek Districts, presented computer sets for schools through the commander.

Next, the commander presented the computer sets to the Shan State (East) Education Officer who expressed thanks.

After inspecting the computer sets, the commander fulfilled the requirements.—MNA

Foreign Minister sends felicitations to Mexican counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 16 Sept—U Nyan Win, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Dr Luis Ernesto Derbez Bautista, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the United Mexican States, on the anniversary of the Independence of the United Mexican States which falls on 16 September 2006.

MNA

Kathina robes to be offered in Majjima Region

YANGON, 15 Sept — Paradesi Sangha Nayaka Committee invited wellwishers today to participate in the 29th Kathina Robes Offering Ceremony of the committee to offer Kathina robes to members of the Sangha of Myanmar in India.

There are 238 Buddhist monks from Myanmar in 11 monasteries and eight universities in Majjima region, and 300 in Assam and Manipur regions in India.

Those wishing to donate robes may contact Ph 01-545215, 01-545216, 01-555173, 01-727746, 01-536348, 01-542236 not later than 29 October. — MNA

IWT conducts On-job Training Refresher Course (1/2006)

YANGON, 15 Sept — On-job Training Refresher Course (1/2006) of Engineering Department of Inland Water Transport of the Ministry of Transport was opened at Ahlon Dockyard in Ahlon Township this morning with an inaugural address by Managing Director of IWT U Soe Tint.

General Managers, heads of departments and divisions, officers and instructors were present on the occasion.

A total of 60 trainees are attending a two-week course.—MNA



Managing Director U Soe Tint addresses opening of On-job Training Refresher Course (1/2006).

TRANSPORT

ASEAN urged to unite for summit

JAKARTA, 14 Sept—Indonesia wants the East Asia Summit to remain a forum between leaders from the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) and some major Asian countries in a bid to enable the association to focus on its own integration, according to local media reports on Wednesday.

“We see the East Asia Summit as a dialogue among leaders. The most important thing is that we focus on enhancing the ASEAN community first,” the Foreign Ministry’s director general for ASEAN Cooperation, Dian Triansyah Djani, was quoted by *The Jakarta Post* newspaper as saying.

He rejected the suggestion that some major Asian countries would hijack the summit for their own purposes, expressing optimism that ASEAN would lead and continue to determine the summit’s agenda.

He made the remarks during a one-day seminar Tuesday on ASEAN’s role

in the East Asia Summit.

Analysts agreed during the seminar that ASEAN should strengthen integration among its members first so it continued to be in the driver’s seat of the summit, urging it to stop adding new members to distinguish itself from other forums like the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) and ASEAN Regional Forum.

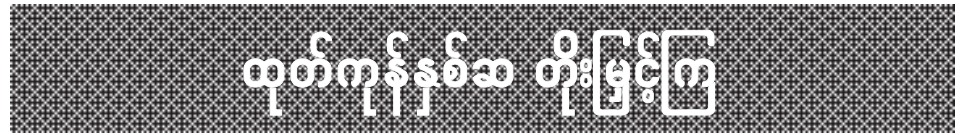
“To be in the driver’s seat, we should be strong and united. That’s why we should concentrate on consolidating ASEAN by pressing ahead with our

agenda to build the ASEAN community by 2020 first, before making efforts to establish a larger community,” said Rizal Sukma of the Centre for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS).

The East Asia Summit brings together leaders from ASEAN countries and China, Japan, South Korea, India, Australia and New Zealand to talk about regional issues.

The first summit was held in Kuala Lumpur last year and the second summit will take place in the Philippines in December.

MNA/Xinhua



Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao (R) is welcomed by German Chancellor Angela Merkel upon his arrival in Berlin, on 14 Sept, 2006.—INTERNET



National Guard soldiers guard heavy-duty metal ties used to anchor ships, where it was discovered that a ton of cocaine was hidden inside, at Caracas’ international airport in Maiquetia, Venezuela, on 14 Sept, 2006.—INTERNET

German Govt to send peacekeepers patrolling Lebanon waters

BERLIN, 14 Sept—The German Government on Wednesday approved the deployment of around 2,400 naval soldiers for a UN peacekeeping operation along Lebanon’s coast.

A report by German news agency DPA said the decision would be approved by Parliament next week.

The exact number of German ships sent to the region has yet to be announced and Germany would probably take command of an international naval force comprising Sweden, Norway, Denmark and the Netherlands.

The naval force would be tasked with searching any suspicious ships in the area, according to the report.

The deployment will be the first by Germany in the Middle East since the end of World War II.

The United Nations is deploying up to 15,000 troops in southern Lebanon to keep peace there under a ceasefire agreement reached last month, which put an end to fighting between the Israeli Army and Hizbollah militants.—MNA/Xinhua

Six injured as light plane crashes onto street near Montreal

OTTAWA, 14 Sept—A small plane crashed Tuesday onto a street in southern Montreal, Canada’s second largest city, hitting two cars and injuring at least six people.

The Cessna went down at Losch and Kimber boulevards near the Saint-Hubert Airport, injuring the plane’s pilot and passengers and the car drivers, the reports said. Officials said none of those injured were in a critical condition.

The pilot said he had been forced to make an emergency landing after the plane’s engine failed.

On Sunday, a similar incident occurred in downtown Montreal. A Cessna landed on a busy street, but no injuries or damage were reported.—MNA/Xinhua



An student gymnast performs during the inauguration ceremony of a football tournament in New Delhi, on 14 Sept, 2006.—INTERNET

Honda develops new way to make biofuel that could boost environmentally friendly cars

TOKYO, 14 Sept,—Honda Motor Co has developed a way to make ethanol fuel from plant waste matter in a process that has the potential to expand the use of biofuels that fight global warming, the Japanese automaker said Thursday.

Existing bio-ethanol production faces supply limits because it uses sugar and starch of sugarcane or from corn, both of which are also utilized as food. By tapping far greater supplies of inedible plant matter, such as stalks, leaves and rice straw, the new fuel takes a step toward making biofuels more practical, Tokyo-based Honda said in release.

The breakthrough comes as automakers look for alternatives to pe-

troleum-based fuels that will not release greenhouse gases that fan global warming. Surging oil prices have also spurred companies to develop new fuels that may be cheaper and not as prone to supply disruptions.

“Expansion of biomass utilization holds enormous potential as a major step forward toward the realization of an energy sustainable society,” Honda said.

Honda developed the technology with Honda R&D Co and the Kyoto-based Research Institute of Innovative Technology for the Earth. The partners plan to work next on a refinery that can produce not only ethanol, but other industrial compounds from plant matter.

Internet



Pakistan's President Gen Pervez Musharraf pass review to the troops upon his arrival to Jose Marti Airport in Havana, Cuba, on 14 Sept, 2006. Representatives of over 100 countries are to attend the 14th Non-Aligned Movement summit in Havana this week.

INTERNET



China, African trade unions pledge to strengthen cooperation

BEIJING, 14 Sept—The Chinese trade unions always take African trade unions as trust-worthy friends and partners, and will strengthen cooperation with them, said a senior official from the All-China Federation of Trade Unions on Wednesday (ACFTU).

When meeting with trade union leaders from 17 African countries,

Wang Zhaoguo, president of the ACFTU, spoke highly of the African trade unions for holding firmly to the principles and upholding justice in international trade union affairs and their sincere support to the Chinese trade unions.

The visit of the trade union leaders will further promote a comprehensive development of the partnership between China and African trade unions, he said.

Wang, also vice chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, spoke highly of the friendly

relations between China and African co-untries and the two peoples as well.

Leaders from the African trade unions expressed their gratitude for the generous support from the Chinese Government and trade unions for years, and willingness to further upgrade the trade union cooperation between China and African co-untries to a new height.

The African trade union leaders are here for a seminar on China-Africa trade union cooperation, which opened on Tuesday morning.

MNA/Xinhua

Even in winter Arctic ice melting

WASHINGTON, 14 Sept—The vast expanses of ice floating in the Arctic Sea are melting in winter as well as in the summer, likely because of global warming, NASA scientists said Wednesday.

"This is the strongest evidence yet of global warming in the Arctic," said Josefino Comiso, a research scientist at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md.

And if the ice continued to melt at the current rate, Comiso said, it could have profound effects on all life in the Arctic and other consequences around the world.

Particularly hard hit would be the polar bears, which live on the ice, he said. Sea ice also provides oxygen-rich cold water needed for the growth of phytoplankton. A decline

in the number of the tiny plants could have a cascading effect on the food supply of fish and crustaceans, seals and the other marine mammals.

The size of this

summer's Arctic ice won't be known for a few weeks because it usually reaches its smallest size the third week of September. Last year, scientists found that polar ice twice the size of

Texas had melted since NASA started compiling satellite data 27 years ago. Scientists said there could be no ice left in the Arctic in the summer by the end of the century. —Internet



The warning smoke is been released by a tank after it was "attacked" during an exercise held in northern China's Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region, on 14 Sept, 2006.—INTERNET

Baghdad death squads kill 60, bombs kill 22

BAGHDAD, 14 Sept— Police recovered 60 bodies over the past day across Baghdad, most bound and tortured, officials said on Wednesday, highlighting how sectarian death squads are still plaguing the Iraqi capital despite a major security drive.

Two car bombs targeting police killed 22 people in the morning and wounded another 76 people.

The first killed 14 outside Baghdad's traffic police headquarters, a second targeted guards at an electricity station in the east of the city.

The death of another US soldier was confirmed in Anbar Province, where the commander denied suggestions his force had lost control to al-Qaeda and other Sunni guerillas but said stabilizing the western desert region would be a job for Iraqi politicians and their US-trained troops and police.

A US soldier was also killed overnight near Baghdad.—MNA/Reuters

Sweet dreams for Beijingers as overnight construction limited

BEIJING, 14 Sept— The Beijing municipal government has started to put residents' quality of life ahead of Olympic preparations with new regulations that will see construction projects without an overnight building licence fined as much as 200,000 yuan (25,000 US dollars).

Dong Jinhu, an official with the Beijing Bureau of Environmental Protection, said that unless construction projects possess a night construction licence,

builders will be punished for keeping residents awake at night with excessive noise.

He did not provide details on what criteria construction projects will have to meet to obtain the licence.

The new regulation on noise pollution, which will not take effect until the end of this year, will also specify fines on noise from traffic, interior decoration as well as entertainment and

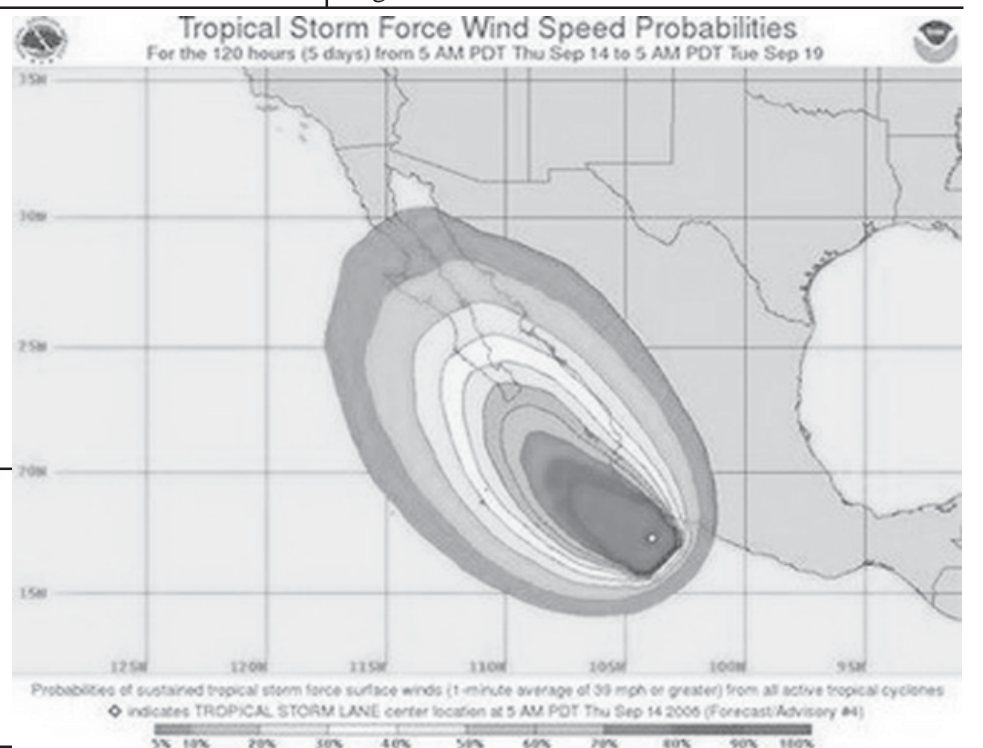
catering businesses, according to Dong.

The city government has ordered all construction projects to be finished by 2008 in order to guarantee a pleasant environment for the Olympics.

MNA/Xinhua

An illustration showing Tropical Storm Lane's tropical storm force wind speed probabilities from on 14 Sept, 2006 through on 19 Sept, 2006.

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Greece, Albania sign energy agreement

ATHENS, 14 Sept—Greece and Albania signed an energy agreement covering electricity, oil and natural gas here on Wednesday.

The agreement was signed by Greek Development Minister Dimitris Sioufas and Albanian Economy and Energy Minister Genc Ruli, in the presence of the two countries' Prime Ministers, Costas Karamanlis and Sali Berisa.

The agreement follows

a friendship pact signed by the two countries in 1996 and their participation in a Southeastern Europe Energy Community (signed in October 2005 in Athens).

Speaking to reporters after a meeting with Ruli earlier, Sioufas said the two countries have had systematic cooperation over the last 12 months.

"Albania was one of the first countries to ratify this pact, which started

from 1 July, and creates a totally new environment in southeastern Europe, with stability, more growth, and peace and, particularly in the energy sector, investments expected to exceed 21 billion euros," the Greek minister said.

Sioufas said the two countries would seek closer economic relations, a boost in investments and increasing trade transactions.

MNA/Xinhua



Hong Kong's All Auctioneers Ltd prepares to auction mementos of Cultural Revolution (1966-1976) on 16 Sept, 2006. —XINHUA

Non-communicable diseases account for 42% of deaths in Nepal

KATHMANDU, 14 Sept—The degenerative and non-communicable diseases (NCDs) account for 42 per cent of total deaths in Nepal and contribute to 23 per cent of all disability-adjusted lives in Nepal, according to a study.

"It has been estimated that the degenerative and all other NCDs would account for almost 30 per cent of total disability within the next 15 years in Nepal," said the Non-Communicable Disease Risk Factors Survey 2005.

The NCDs are caused by bad food habits and

lack of physical activities, according to the report.

The study, conducted by the Ministry of Health and Population and the World Health Organization (WHO), revealed that 41 per cent of respondents consumed both smokeless and smoky form of tobacco in three districts of the country. More than half of the respondents were physically inactive at work and 20 per cent were inactive in transport related physical activities by giving space to spread NCDs," according to the report. "As many as 86 per

cent of respondents of the study area didn't involve in recreation related physical activities," it said.—MNA/Xinhua

MNA/Xinhua

Thai banks expand ATM networks to neighbouring countries

BANGKOK, 14 Sept—In an expansion move considered as a breakthrough in Thailand's banking sector, the commercial banks are joining with their counterparts in neigh-

bouring countries to form cross-border cash transaction service networks via automatic teller machines (ATMs) for the first time, local Press reported on Wednesday.

Nine Thai commercial banks on Tuesday signed an agreement with seven Malaysian banks to form the cross-border ATM networks, which enables

their clients in either Thailand or Malaysia to withdraw, deposit or transfer cashes via about 16,000 ATMs — about 10,000 in Thailand and the rest in Malaysia.

The Thai commercial banks plan to clinch similar agreements with their counterparts in Singapore and Indonesia in the future.

MNA/Xinhua

"Underground" mobile phone smugglers arrested in Shenzhen

SHENZHEN, 14 Sept—Seven people, including two Hong Kong citizens, have been arrested for smuggling mobile phones and computer chips through a tunnel from Hong Kong to Shenzhen.

The gang, headed by a Hong Kong citizen, rented a ground-floor apartment in the district of Yantian in May, where they spent nearly half a

month digging a one-metre-deep and 20-metre-long tunnel linking the sewers that run through both cities, according to the anti-smuggling department of Shenzhen Customs.

The tunnel, with a diameter of 45 centimetres, is only just wide enough for one person to crawl through.

The smugglers also laid wooden boards on the floor of the tunnel to make it easier to transport goods in bulk, according to the anti-smuggling department.

Police arrested all seven smugglers on 25 August when they raided the apartment and confiscated 120,000 Integrated Circuit chips and 803 mobile phones worth more than 1.56 million yuan (195,700 US dollars). Further investigation into the case is underway.

MNA/Xinhua

Japan's Princess Kiko (R) and her husband Prince Akishino (L) smile as they leave a Tokyo hospital with their newborn son Prince Hisahito in Tokyo, on 15 Sept, 2006. —INTERNET

Models show off the hairstyles and hair decorations popular with Chinese women in history during the Hairdressing and Cosmetic Treatment Festival in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province, on 13 Sept 2006.—XINHUA



South Sudan detects first case of bird flu

KHARTOUM, 14 Sept—South Sudan has found the first case of bird flu in a poultry farm in the capital city of Juba, the Sudan Tribune reported on its website on Tuesday.

Chairman of the National Task Force on Bird Flu Sam Okware was quoted as saying that the deadly virus was confirmed on 6 September and was affecting local chicken.

He said that he had

directed local health and veterinary officials in various districts all over the South Sudan region to strengthen their task forces on bird flu to enhance surveillance and public education. In addition, the people at the border areas should be on high alert for any suspicious birds or poultry products being brought into the country," the official added.

MNA/Xinhua



Japanese, S Korean firms to cooperate on joint transportation

TOKYO, 14 Sept—Japan Freight Railway Co (JR Freight) said Wednesday it signed an agreement with Korea Railroad Corp of South Korea to launch joint transportation services between Tokyo and Seoul.

The “rail-sea-rail” transportation service between the two cities is scheduled to start in January, 2007, through which, home appliances, electronic components and other items can reach either city in four days, according to a Press release from JR Freight.

Compared with air transport, the joint service can reduce the cost by half, though it takes a day more.

The deal is JR Freight’s first business alliance with a foreign railway operator, said the Tokyo-based company.

For shipments from

Tokyo to Seoul, JR Freight will transport containers by rail from Tokyo to Fukuoka and then send them by ship from the port of Hakata in the city to the South Korean port of Busan. Korea Railroad, known as Korail in South Korea, will transport them to Seoul.

MNA/Xinhua



A Microsoft portable Zune media player is moved into position for photographers following a demonstration of the device, on 14 Sept, 2006, in Redmond, Wash. Microsoft Corp’s effort to compete against Apple’s iPod juggernaut will focus on the idea that people want to be able to easily share music with friends and others.— INTERNET

Macedonia nominates candidate for UNGA presidency

TIRANA, 14 Sept—Macedonian Government on Wednesday nominated its former foreign minister Srgjan Kerim as a candidate for the president of the UN General Assembly.

Kerim’s office has confirmed the nomination, news reaching here from Skopje said.

According to the rotating principle, the new UN General Assembly president for the 2007-2008 period should be elected from candidates nominated by the Southeast European countries.

MNA/Xinhua

China says forest fires kill 33 so far this year

BEIJING, 14 Sept—Forest fires have killed 33 people and destroyed 380,000 hectares (938,600 acres) of woods in China in the first eight months of the year, state media said, as the country battles prolonged drought in certain areas.

Although the death toll was a third lower than the average for the same period over the last three years, more than double the area of forests was damaged by fire, Xinhua news agency said in a report.

MNA/Reuters



A model walks the runway wearing fashion from the Zac Posen spring/summer 2007 collection shown in New York, on 14 Sept, 2006.

INTERNET

Russian mine sweepers, infrastructure experts arrive in Beirut

BEIRUT, 14 Sept—A group of Russian mine sweepers and experts in bridge reconstruction and infrastructure arrived at

Rafik Al-Hariri International Airport on Wednesday on board a military plane. An official Press statement said the Russian experts had been dispatched as part of Moscow’s contribution to Lebanon’s reconstruction efforts.

The Russian experts and mine sweepers will operate in areas other than those to be patrolled by the UN peacekeeping force and will rebuild infrastructure damaged in the 34-day conflict with Israel, local Press said.—MNA/Xinhua

Contestants pose during the Cambodian beauty contest, which roughly translates as 2006 Beautiful Boy and Girl contest, in Phnom Penh, on 14 Sept, 2006.

INTERNET

Air India flight to Dubai diverted on security fears

DUBAI, 14 Sept—Aviation authorities in the United Arab Emirates had diverted a Dubai-bound Air India flight to a military air base on “security and safety” concerns, the official WAM news agency reported on Wednesday.

WAM said the flight had been due to land at Dubai Airport, one of the busiest in the Middle East, late on Tuesday.

“As a precautionary measure the aircraft, the passengers and the luggage have been searched to verify safety,” WAM quoted a civil aviation official as saying.

“All passengers were

later transported to the Dubai International Airport...” it said.

WAM gave no details about what caused the security concern. Airport security officials were not immediately available for comment.

On Monday, al-Qaeda’s second in command Ayman al-Zawahri said in a video posted on the Internet that Gulf Arab states and Israel would be the militant network’s next targets. Security is normally tight in Dubai, the trade and tourism hub of the wealthy Gulf region.

MNA/Reuters

Austria kidnap woman says making steady recovery

VIENNA, 14 Sept—Natascha Kampusch, the Austrian woman kidnapped at the age of 10 and held captive for eight years, says she is recovering from her ordeal and is ready to face the outside world.

“In principle, I already feel strong enough for the outside world,” Kampusch told the Austrian weekly magazine *News* in an interview published on Wednesday. “I am robust and it is getting better from day to day.”

Her captor Wolfgang Priklopil committed suicide by jumping under a train after 18-year-old Kampusch escaped on 23 August. He had snatched the girl on her way to school in 1998 and kept her in a windowless cell beneath his garage. Kampusch is currently living in a Vienna hospital, shielded from reporters and cared for by doctors and psychiatrists.

Wearing a headscarf to allow her to change her looks to avoid future publicity, Kampusch made headlines around the world last week when she described the years of loneliness, hunger and desperation in her first television interview.

MNA/Reuters



Upland journey under the toddy palm shade

Chit Naing (Psychology)

After giving lectures at the Central Institute of Civil Service (Upper Myanmar) at Zeebingyi on 24 August this year, I went to PyinOoLwin to spend the night there. At the request of the headmistress Daw Amar, I gave talks on morals and manners at No 2 Basic Education High School in the town in the evening for 40 minutes. As there was not much time left, I had to decline the request made by the school head of No 4 BEHS for similar talks. School heads of Nos 2 and No 3 BEHSs presented more than 1,000 books donated by students to libraries through me.

I gave a brief account of the benefits of literature at the donation ceremony at the requests of the teachers.

I also met with Maj Maung Latt (Retired) who is running Soe San private boarding school. He also opens a book shop. He was a decorated officer who served in many military campaigns to crush insurgents. He is still hale and hearty in his early 60s. Not long ago he provided K 100 million for the nation. He also donated more than K 30 million for the nation annually in the past. We all should emulate his love for the nation and the race.

Benefits of literary talks

At his invitation, I gave literary talks at the private boarding school for an hour each to boy and girl students. Maj Maung Latt (Retired) promised me to donate a 1.5-million-kyat library and a trust fund of K 500,000 for a ward library in New Bagan.

At 7 am the next morning, I started my five-day journey in upland travelling covering over 600 miles to Myittha, Natogyi, Myingyan, Taungtha,

Welaung, Popa, Kyaukpadaung, Meiktila, Pyawbwe, Yamethin, Tatkon and Pyinmana via Kyaukse and Hanmyintmoh till reaching Nay Pyi Taw.

Along the new road from PyinOoLwin to Myittha that bypasses Mandalay, I saw large piles of various kinds of fruits all along the way. Unlike many other countries, Myanmar has an abundant supply of fruits for everybody. Farmers are happy for the early monsoon rains. But in some areas sesame fields were damaged by rains. The green paddy fields were touching the horizon in Kyaukse, Singaing and Myittha which are like large oases.

I visited the library of Yitkan village on Myittha Township. During my visit, wellwishers donated a 21-inch TV and over 100 books to it. There were discussions for development of rural libraries. We invited villagers to express their views on the library which was nearly one year old.

They seemed shy at first. But later, five persons presented their views one by one explaining the progress in the religious, social and knowledge development they were experiencing thanks to the library. We presented K 1,000 each to the five. The library has captivated young and old alike of the village.

A village girl gains knowledge

At Mangyeesauk village in Meiktila Township, a 16-year old girl said, "I am the only child of my family, Mom and Dad love me very much. I was naughty as my parents gave me so much favour. Sometimes, I shouted back at my Dad and am crossed with Mom. I got up late in the mornings and never helped parents with farm work. But when a library was opened at my village, I went there daily to read

books. My interest in books and school lessons have grown since then. As I have become a book-worm, I have come to realize all my mistakes. I have understood the gratitude I owe to my parents. Now, I give respects to my parents and always listen to their words."

Everyone was moved by her words.

Another gains mental strength

A girl in her late teens at the talks held at Yecho Model Village in Meiktila Township was significant. She said that her parents died when she was just a child; that she had no siblings; and that she was looked after by her relatives. She continued to say, "I can just read and write. I earn my living as a hawker. But all the people here know my morals. So they all have respect for me regarding my character. I started reading books when the village set up the library. First, I read comics, then magazines, and later novels and other periodicals. My mind developed significantly within a period of two years."

She recounted her lonely moments in her home, saying. "When I read books, I have come to realize that life is a single person's struggle as everyone comes to life alone; and that I don't need to rely on any other person. Hence, I have always been trying to improve my life and purify my mind in accord with the Buddha's Teachings which urge people to rely on themselves. Most of the village people respect me for my moral conduct. I am the secretary of the Dhamma Cakka Association of the village. Books at the library taught me to be brave and sincere. They made me possess endurance and zeal and change my mind for good. I would like to urge the entire village to lend a helping hand for the long-lasting of the library. Thank you."

Most of the village people at the talks had been familiar with her since she was a child. They were happy to see her talking in front of them without showing any sign of stage fright.

The future is bright for the rural areas where the number of people who love reading and books is increasing day after day. The upland sky during the rainy season was decorated with white clouds in different shapes, and under the sky was our car rolling fast on the road that passed through vast crop fields, groves of toddy palms and beautiful natural scenery.

(Translation: TMT)

Along the new road from PyinOoLwin to Myittha that bypasses Mandalay, I saw large piles of various kinds of fruits all along the way. Unlike many other countries, Myanmar has an abundant supply of fruits for everybody. Farmers are happy for the early monsoon rains. But in some areas sesame fields were damaged by rains. The green paddy fields were touching the horizon in Kyaukse, Singaing and Myittha which are like large oases.

Fingerlings put into dams in NyaungU, Taungtha

NAY PYI TAW, 15 Sept — Accompanied by the officials of Fisheries Department, Minister for Livestock and Fisheries Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein went to NyaungU in Mandalay Division on 10 September and attended a ceremony to put fingerlings into Ngathayauk Dam.

The minister, the officials and local people put fingerlings of different species into the dam.

Thereafter, the minister and party inspected chicken farm of Livestock and Veterinary Department in NyaungU and attended to the needs.

The minister also held discussions with Chairman of Myingyan District PDC Lt-Col Tun Win and departmental officials at We Laung in Taungtha Township.

The minister handed over fingerlings to local authorities of



Minister Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein hands over fingerlings to Secretary of Myingyan District USDA U Aung Zan to put them into We Laung Dam in Taungtha Township.—MNA

Myingyan and Taungtha Township, members of Union Solidarity and Development Association and members of Women's Affairs Organization to put a variety of fingerlings into

We Laung Dam.

Later, CEC member of USDA Minister Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein discussed future tasks of USDA with the members of district and township

USDAs at Taungtha Township USDA office.

The minister also met with the officials of Yamethin District and fulfilled the requirements for establishing livestock breeding zones. — MNA

Nutrition Promotion Week for 2006 marked...

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offer provisions to monasteries and nunneries on Sagaing Hall and in Sagaing held at the Town Hill in Sagaing where the congregation led by the commander received the Five Precepts from the Presiding Sayadaw of Hantha Giri Kyaungtaik in Sagaing.

After supplicating on the religious affairs, the commander and party presented offertories and provisions to members of the Sangha and nuns.

Later, Sayadaw Bhaddanta Nañissara of Thitagu Buddha Academy delivered a sermon and the congregation shared merits gained.

The ceremony ended with the recitation of Buddha Sasanam Ciram Titthatu three times.—MNA

OSCE system to be applied in final exams of medical students

NAY PYI TAW, 15 Sept — Medical Science Department under the Ministry of Health held a coordination meeting on applying the system of OSCE (Objective Structured Clinical Examination) in the final exam of final year medical students (Final Part II) at the ministry here yesterday. Deputy Minister for Health Dr Paing Soe delivered an opening speech saying that in the education and health fields of the State, measures are being taken to improve quantity and quality harmoniously for the development of human resources. Therefore, the OSCE system has been launched to help discuss strong and weak points in the exams.

Next, Medical Science Department Acting Director General Dr Than Myint explained facts about the system and the deputy minister gave a concluding remark. — MNA

Coord meeting for organizing White Cane Day held

YANGON, 15 Sept — The first work coordination meeting for organizing the 15th Yangon Mayor's Cup Walking Competition to mark International White Cane Day for 2006 took place at Yangon City Hall this morning.

First, Joint-Secretary of Yangon City Development Committee

U Aung Than Win accepted donation of cash and kind to the Walking Competition from the wellwishers and expressed his thanks for the donation.

Patron of the committee for organizing the Walking Competition U Aung Than Win delivered an address.

The chairmen and members of the



Deputy Minister for Health Dr Paing Soe addresses the meeting on applying OSCE system.—HEALTH

committees for organizing the Walking Competition and the officials explained

sector-wise tasks to be carried out for organizing the competition to the patron and the ceremony ended. The 15th Yangon Mayor's Cup Walking Competition to mark International White Cane Day for 2006 will be held on 15 October on a grand scale.

Those wishing to donate cash and kind may contact the following numbers 251989, 251417, 384731, 224797, 250852, 250816, 371260, 373284.

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Myanmar Sports contingent bags four gold, three silver and one bronze

YANGON, 15 Sept — The Myanmar Sports contingent fetched four gold, three silver and one bronze yesterday in the Mekong region six-nation sports meet being held in Thailand from 12 to 17 September.

In Sepak Takraw contest (women), Myanmar team stood third, Chinese team first and Laotian team second. Altogether four sports teams participated in the contest.

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Joint-Secretary of YCDC U Aung Than Win accepts cash donation from a wellwisher. MNA

Over 550 students receive free check-up for dental, oral complaints

YANGON, 15 Sept— A total of 558 primary schoolchildren of a Basic Education High School in Dagon Myothit (South) Township received free medical check-up and treatment for dental and oral complaints today given by Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation and Myanmar Dentists' Association.

As part of an effort to raise awareness of dental and oral hygiene among children, Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation and Myanmar Dentists' Association also gave educative talks on dental and oral diseases and health measures to prevent the diseases at the model village in Dagon Myothit (South) Township.



Head of Organizational Department of MAAF Dr Daw Nyunt Nyunt Oo and party view provision of dental treatment for the schoolchildren.—MNA

Before the educative talks, Head of the Organizational Department of MAAF Dr Daw Nyunt Nyunt Oo briefed

Officials and

members of district/township WAOs in Yangon Division, dentists of MDA, teachers and students totalling over 300 attended the educative talks.

After the talks, Dr Daw Nyunt Nyunt Oo accepted 495 applications of high school girls for the membership of MAAF.

MNA

Minister receives guests

NAY PYI TAW, 15 Sept — Minister for Electric Power No (2) Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint received Mr Yao Yuning, Chairman of Sichuan Machinery and Equipment Import and Export Co Ltd, the People's Republic of China and party at the hall of the Ministry, here, on 13 September.

Present at the call were Director-General of Electric Power Department under the Ministry of Electric Power No (2) Dr Thein Tun and Managing Director of Myanma Electric Power Enterprise Dr San Oo and officials. — MNA

YSD holds USDA annual meeting



USDA CEC member U Maung Pa inspects garment factory at the office of Yangon South District USDA.— YCDC

YANGON, 15 Sept — The annual meeting (2006) of Thanlyin Township Union Solidarity and Development Association took place at Yangon South District USDA office this morning.

CEC member of USDA Vice-Mayor Col Maung Pa addressed the meeting.

The Vice-mayor presented prizes to six-distinction winners in matriculation exam for 2005-2006 academic year and other outstanding persons.

Later, Yangon Division USDA Secretary U Aye Myint accepted cash donation from the wellwishers on the occasion.

The USDA CEC member inspected thriving physic nut plantation in the office compound, computer course at the district USDA office and garment factory.

At the second session of the annual meeting, those in attendance made round table discussions.

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MWAF gives talks on literacy

YANGON, 15 Sept — Jointly organized by Social and Cultural Working Group of Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation and Yangon Division Women's Affairs Organization, educative talks on literacy was held in Industry Zone in Shwepyitha Township today.

Leader of the education sub-working group under the Social and Cultural Working Group Daw Min Thet Mon gave talks on role of Women's Affairs Organizations in promotion of literacy campaigns. She also

briefed on tasks of the education sub-working group and MWAF for formal and non-formal education sectors.

Daw Si Si Aye of MWAF and an official of Myanmar Education Research Department U Saw Aung also gave talks on literacy and establishment of libraries.

It was also attended by Secretariat Member of MWAFF Daw Thet Thet Zin, members of Yangon Division WAO, Yangon North District and township WAOs and teachers and townsenders.

After the talks, Dr Daw Thet Thet Zin and



Leader of Education Sub-Working Group Daw Min Thet Mon gives talks on literacy and constant learning.— EDUCATION RESEARCH

party went to Ward-6 in the township and viewed

literacy campaign of the township WAO. — MNA

Nutrition Promotion Week marked in Yangon North District

YANGON, 15 Sept — Yangon Division Maternal and Child Welfare Supervisory Committee launched Nutrition Promotion Week for 2006 at People's Hospital in Hlinethaya Township, Yangon North District yesterday.

Chairman of Yangon North District PDC Lt-Col Myat Min and Chairperson of Yangon North District MCWSC Daw Saw Shwe unveiled the Nutrition Promotion Week commemorative signboard.

Next, Lt-Col Myat Min made an opening speech.

Later, he presented the first prize to Hlinethaya Township, second prize to Hlegu Township and third prize to Mingaladon Township MCWAs in activities to mark the Nutrition Promotion Week and Joint-

Secretary of Yangon Division MCWSC Dr Daw Nwe Ni Ohn and member Dr Daw Khin Thet Myaing presented first prize to Insein Township in essay contest, second prize to Hlinethaya Township and third prize to Shwepyitha Township and the chairperson of Yangon North District MCWSC presented prizes to the winners in quiz.

Dr Daw Shwe Zin gave talks on activities of nutrition promotion.

After the ceremony, Lt-Col Myat Min and the chairperson viewed giving vitamin A tablets to children under five, distribution of iron tablets to expectant mothers and testing of iodine content in the iodized salt. — MNA

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Myekhedaung Dam to guarantee...

I used to grow beans and pulses and sesame. Now, I cultivate 10 acres of paddy. I am pleased



with the fruit of sufficient irrigation water. (farmer Daw Myint Wai)

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storage will be 2,080 acre feet and its water surface area, 208 acres.

In the past, local farmers cultivated mostly seasonal crops such as beans and pulses, sesame and corn but no paddy. Now, the water supply is in the course with the aim of enabling local farmers to become familiar with paddy cultivation.

We Myanma Alin daily staff interviewed some local farmers.

Q: What is your name, please?

A: Ma Myint Wai.

Q: And what are you?

A: I am a farmer. I used to grow beans and pulses and sesame. Now, I cultivate 10 acres of paddy.

Q: We have learnt water supply programme has been launched for farmers to try the growing of paddy. Do you cultivate paddy yourself or do you hire labourers for your business?

A: Oh, how can I manage such a hard work by myself! I have to hire about 10 labourers.

Q: Now, water has been supplied and how do you feel in this regard?

A: I am very pleased with it because we farmers have enjoyed sufficient amount of irrigation water.

Q: You said you have swapped corn with paddy. Which is more profitable, corn or paddy?

A: Paddy is more profitable. So, I have to say thanks to the government for its programme.

Then, we interviewed another farmer.

Q: What is your name, please?

A: I am Tun Aung.

Q: Where do you live?

A: I live in Myekhedaung Village. I am a farmer. In the past, I grew corn, green gram, chilli and sesame.

Q: How many acres of paddy fields are you running?

A: I have eight acres of paddy fields. Now, I have been able to extend paddy cultivation.

Q: Which one do you like growing other crops or paddy?

Now, the farmers grow mostly paddy instead of other crops. Our region has been able to produce rice. It will be beneficial for local people



because the paddy output of our region will increase. (farmer U Tun Aung)

A: In the past, the majority of the farmers preferred to grow crops. They also grew paddy just for their consumption. Now, the farmers grow mostly paddy instead of other crops. Previously, we had to buy rice from the merchants from Pakokku. Now, our region has been able to produce rice. It will be beneficial for the local people because the paddy output of our region will increase. So, that will contribute towards regional rice sufficiency. Now, we have enjoyed sufficient clean water. Many roads have been built in our region. So, our region is enjoying development. With adequate amount of irrigation water, it is very convenient for farm-



The main canal of Myekhedaung Dam constructed by Magway Division Irrigation Department.

ers like us to grow not only paddy but also other crops. Our living standard is going to rise. So, I thank the government a lot.

U Aung Ko Win said that he grew five acres of paddy; that in the past he grew green gram and corn; and that before the opening of Myekhedaung Dam, water was then irrigated and so he started to grow paddy.



Previously, I grew green gram and corn only. Now, I cultivate Manaw Thukha and Shwe Myanmar strains of paddy and the paddy per acre yield will be about 100 baskets if it is grown in straight rows with the use of ropes. (farmer U Aung Ko Win)

He said that water was supplied through a canal and he cultivated Manaw Thukha and Shwe Myanmar strains of paddy; and that the paddy per acre yield would be about 100 baskets if it was grown in straight rows with the use of ropes.

He thanked the Head of State and the Irrigation Department for the facility. He pledged that local people would maintain the facility for its durability.

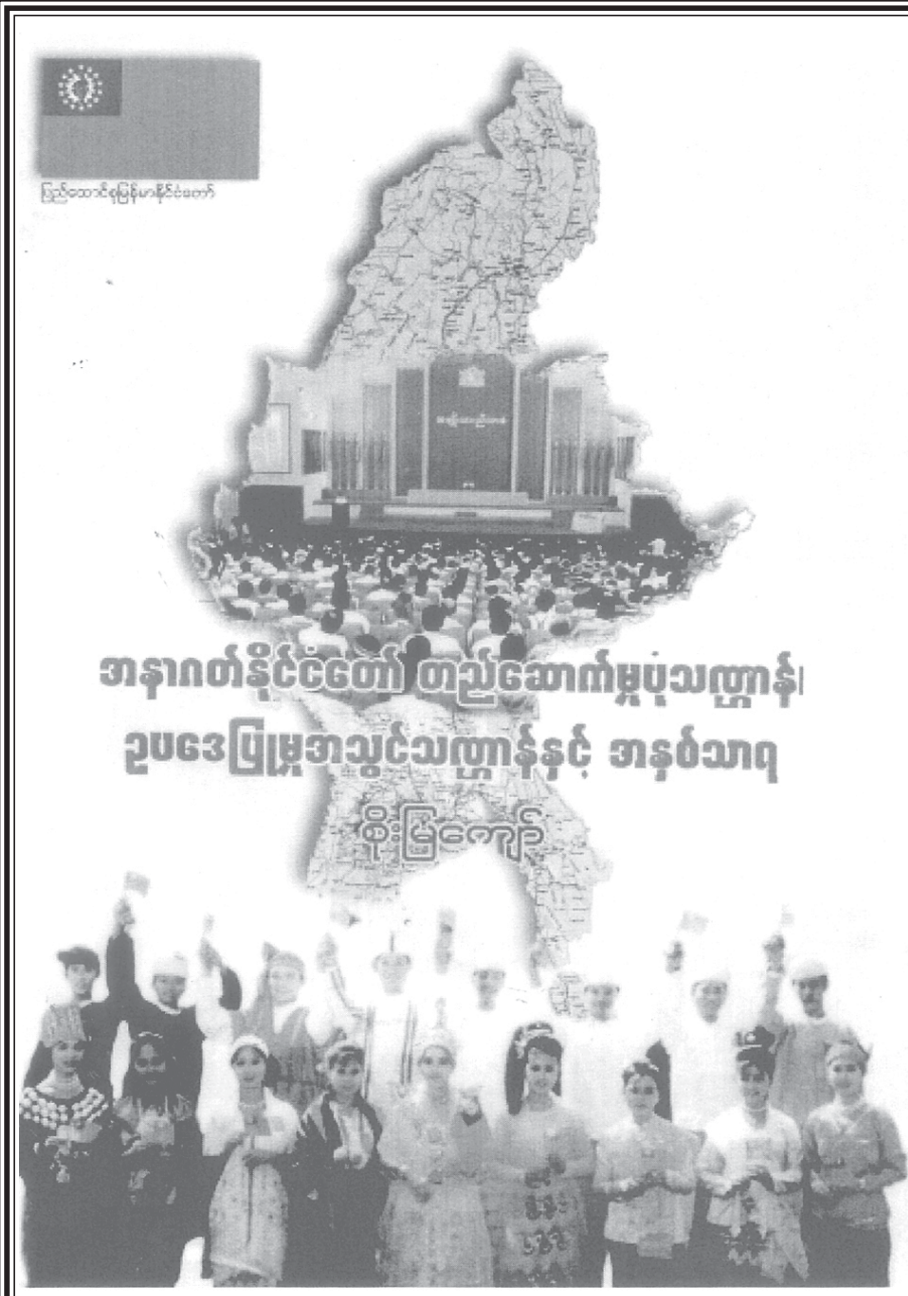
The government spent more than 100 million kyats on the dam that will guarantee local food sufficiency, sufficient supply of water, the greening of the region and better income of local farmers. So, it is a prudent project serving the interests of the region and the nation.

Translation: MS

Myanma Alin: 15-9-2006



Women transplanting Manaw Thukha strain paddy saplings in straight rows with the use of ropes in the field of U Aung Ko Win of Myekhedaung Village in Pakokku District, Magway Division.



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Malaysia welcomes ASEAN Secretariat as new ASEM member

KUALA LUMPUR, 15 Sept— The inclusion of the ASEAN Secretariat as one of the new members of the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) process is set to provide the impetus for closer links between countries of the two continents, the *New Straits Times* said Thursday.

The local English daily quoted Malaysian Prime Minister Abdullah Ahmad Badawi as saying the Secretariat will serve as a coordinator and communicator not only for ASEAN but also for South Korea, Japan and China, East Asia as well as Europe.

Badawi made the remarks to Malaysian reporters when summing up the two-day ASEM summit which concluded in Helsinki, the capital of Finland.

“This is an achievement of sorts for ASEAN, as through the Secretariat, further development of cooperation in many areas between the two continents, particularly ASEM members, can be further accelerated,” Badawi said.

Badawi said the Secretariat will be able to take up many relevant issues affecting the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN), if the need arises, to its European partners.

“This Secretariat has long been in existence and boasts many experienced and capable officials. I am

hopeful that as a new ASEM member, a lot more can be done for the benefits and development of ASEAN countries,” said the Prime Minister.

Apart from the ASEAN Secretariat, the other five new ASEM members are India, Pakistan, Mongolia, Bulgaria and Romania.

MNA/Xinhua



An elephant moves with her baby in Jaldapara wildlife sanctuary, about 84 miles east of the northeastern Indian city of Siliguri, on 15 Sept, 2006.—INTERNET

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Three dead, 10 injures in multi-vehicle collision in Japan

TOKYO, 15 Sept—Some 20 cars and trucks piled up on an expressway in central Japan, killing three people and injured ten others, *Kyodo* News reported Thursday.

The multi-collision occurred at around 1 am (1600 GMT, Wednesday) on the Chuo Expressway in Nagano Prefecture. A large truck blocked the road in a single vehicle accident, and about 20 following vehicles collided with the truck or each other, the police said.—*MNA/Xinhua*

More French, Spanish soldiers arrive in Lebanon

BEIRUT, 15 Sept— A new contingent of French forces arrived in Beirut on Thursday to join United Nations Interim Forces in Lebanon (UNIFIL) to begin implementing UN Resolution 1701.

A total of 199 French officers and soldiers arrived at the Rafik Al-Hariri International Airport late Thursday, local Press reported.

On Monday, 202

French soldiers arrived in Lebanon in similar preparations for UN peacekeeping mission.

France, which currently leads the UN peacekeeping mission in Lebanon known as UNIFIL, is expected to boost its contribution to the UN force to 2,000 troops.

Meanwhile, a Spanish naval ship carrying a reconnaissance force arrived at Lebanese seashore city of Tyr on Thursday.

The Spanish force immediately started their mission in preparations for deployment of Spanish military forces and weaponry in the upcoming days.

Spain is providing 1,100 troops, the third-largest EU ground force contingent behind Italy and France.

MNA/Xinhua

China allocates \$392m funds to disaster-hit regions

BEIJING, 14 Sept— China's central government has set aside subsidies of 3.1 billion yuan (392 million US dollars) for disaster relief and reconstruction work so far this year, an official with China's Ministry of Civil Affairs said on Wednesday.

"This year China has suffered the most severe natural disasters since 1998," Li Liguo, vice-minister of China's

Ministry of Civil Affairs, told *Xinhua*.

Statistics from the Ministry of Civil Affairs show that up to 11 September, natural disasters had killed 2,295 Chinese people and left 564 missing.

The disasters caused direct economic losses of 191.8 billion yuan and over 13.2 million people were evacuated and relocated.

Almost six million

houses were severely damaged or destroyed.

Li said this year's death toll, economic losses, number of people affected and number of houses destroyed were all higher than the average for the past eight years.

"The number of people evacuated from disaster-hit areas this year is almost double the figure of the last few years."

Li said this year's natural disasters occurred

earlier, were more violent and lasted longer. They were also more frequent and assumed a variety of forms.

Since May, east China's Fujian Province has suffered seven bouts of large-scale flooding and typhoons, which have also hit the provinces and regions of Hunan, Guangdong, Jiangxi and Guangxi.

Heavy rainfall south of the Yangtze River arrived nearly a month earlier than previous years, and in the period July to mid-August, a new typhoon tore into China every nine days.

Li cited typhoons Pearl, Saomai and Bilis, saying that China has never seen so many typhoons barreling in so close upon one another.

While floods swamped the south, northern and western regions were ravaged by drought.

MNA/Xinhua

Costa Rice, Egypt resume diplomatic ties

SAN JOSE, 15 Sept— Costa Rica and Egypt on Wednesday resumed their diplomatic relations which had been suspended since 1983, the Costa Rican Foreign Ministry announced. The agreement on ties resumption was reached by Costa Rican Foreign Minister Bruno Stagno and his Egyptian counterpart Ahmed Abul Gheit on the sidelines of the ongoing 14th Summit of the Non-Aligned Movement in Havana, capital of Cuba, the ministry said in a statement.

They also agreed to reopen their embassies soon. The two ministers also exchanged views on boosting bilateral political, trade and economic cooperation, vowing to strengthen bilateral coordination in international organizations. The resumption of ties came about one month after Costa Rican President Oscar Arias

said on August 16 that his government had decided to move its embassy in Israel from the disputed city of Jerusalem to Tel Aviv.

Costa Rica moved its embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem in 1982, chilling its relations with the Arab world and prompting Egypt to suspend diplomatic ties the following year.

MNA/Xinhua

Toshiba to build LCD TV set factory in Poland

WARSAW, 15 Sept— A letter of intent to build an LCD TV set factory in Kobierzyce, near Wroclaw, southwestern Poland, was signed on Wednesday by Polish Economy Minister Piotr Wozniak and deputy president of Toshiba Co, Toshio Yonezawa, the *PAP* news agency reported.

Toshiba is expected to invest some 167 million zlotys (53.88 million US dollars) in Poland.

In 2010, the new factory will employ over 1,000 people. The first TV sets will come off the assembly lines in the summer of 2007.

Investing in Poland, Toshiba takes advantage of the system of financial support for big investment projects with Poland contributing 26-28 million zlotys (8.39-9 million US dollars) in this case.— *MNA/Xinhua*

Former Texas Governor Ann Richards dies at 73

HOUSTON, 15 Sept—Former Texas Governor Ann Richards, who sparred with former President George HW Bush and later lost the state's top job to President George W. Bush, died on Wednesday. She was 73.

The tough-talking Democratic politician, born Dorothy Ann Willis, had been suffering from esophageal cancer, a person close to the family said, although the cause of death could not immediately be confirmed.

Richards served as Texas Governor from 1991 to 1995, when she was defeated by George W Bush.

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China to establish fire-fighting teams in all towns by 2010

JINAN, 15 Sept — The Chinese Government has ordered the establishment of fire-fighting teams in all 37,000 towns by 2010 after revealing that 95 per cent of towns have no full-time fire-fighters.

Fires in rural areas account for more than 60 per cent of China's total fires each year, and more than 65 per cent of fire casualties are in the rural areas, said Vice-Minister of Public Security Liu Jinguo on Wednesday.

By 2010, China will see an increase of 360,000 full-time or part-time fire-fighters in towns, and all administrative villages will set up voluntary fire-fighting organizations, Liu told a conference on fire-fighting force construction, in Jinan, capital of east China's Shandong Province.

Full-time township squads would be established through public recruitment, while the part-time teams would be comprised mainly of local police, said Liu.

Local governments would pay the salaries of full-time fire-fighters and subsidize voluntary fire-fighters, according to the ministry.

Provincial governments would increase

financial support to poverty-stricken areas to help with fire-fighting and prevention work, it said.

Fire-fighters would be properly equipped with vehicles, fire extinguishers, and protective clothing, the ministry said.

In recent years, many factories in petrochemical and other risk industries had relocated to townships, raising the rate of fires in rural areas, according to the ministry.

MNA/Xinhua

World tour of BMW Art Car Collection kicks off in Malaysia

KUALA LUMPUR, 15 Sept — The BMW Group is exhibiting its art cars in Kuala Lumpur, marking the beginning of the world tour of BMW Art Car Collection.

Starting from Friday, exhibition of four of the 15 BMW Art Cars will be open to the public at the Petronas Gallery, BMW Group's corporate communications director Richard Gaul said Thursday.

The exhibition, which will last until 22 October, will feature the works of well-known artists, with the BMW 3.0CSL designed by Frank Stella, the BMW 320i by Roy Lichtenstein, the BMW M1 by Andy Warhol and the BMW M3 by Ken Done.

"We choose to start the tour with Kuala Lumpur as in Europe we see the capital as a modern city with high appreciation for pop art culture combined with the availability of a world-class gallery," Gaul told reporters after launching the exhibition here.

MNA/Xinhua



Argentina's team Boca Juniors' celebrate with the trophy after their win against Brazil's Sao Paulo FC at the South American Recopa soccer match in Sao Paulo on 14 Sept, 2006. —XINHUA

First Indonesian-developed satellite to be launched in October

JAKARTA, 15 Sept— The Indonesian National Aeronautics and Space Agency (Lapan) is expected to launch the first Indonesian-developed satellite next October, a milestone that will put the country on the world map of space technology.

The micro-satellite Lapan-Tubsat would be launched into orbit in late

October to take pictures of regions affected by the disasters that have plagued the country recently, including volcanoes, earthquakes, forest fires and tsunamis, the *Jakarta Post* newspaper reported Thursday.

"The satellite will carry a video camera that will feed us real-time pictures. It will be different from the existing satellite, which gives us a one- or two-week delay," Lapan Chairman Adi Sadewo Salatun was quoted as saying by the daily.

Adi said the satellite, which was assembled in Germany, weighs just 57 kilogrammes and cost 10 billion rupiah (about one million US dollars). It is far lighter than the recently launched *Telkom-2* satellite, which weighs around 2 tons. The satellite is currently at an Indian space base, waiting to be sent into orbit on India's *Carthosat-2*.

The *Lapan-Tubsat* is the first in a line of satellites developed by the agency for scientific purposes.—MNA/Xinhua



A cat looks at a dog mummy in a museum in Peru, on 12 Sept, 2006. This dog lived between year 1100 and 1300. —XINHUA

"Atlantis" astronauts finish 2nd spacewalk

WASHINGTON, 15 Sept—Two astronauts finished on Wednesday morning the second spacewalk of a shuttle mission critical to completion of the half-finished orbital outpost.

According to the report from the NASA mission control centre, mission specialist Daniel Burbank and Steve MacLean floated out of the *International Space Station* at 5:05 am EDT. They spent more than seven hours working on a truss unit that was attached to the station on Tuesday and will double its electricity supply when activated. The new truss structure, which contains a set of solar arrays, was the first addition to the space station in nearly four years after the 2003 *Columbia* disaster forced NASA to ground the shuttle programme and thus halt construction of the 100-billion-dollar complex.

The unit includes a large rotating joint—the Solar Alpha Rotary Joint (SARJ)—

which will allow the arrays to track the sun. Burbank and MacLean, a Canadian astronaut, spent most of their spacewalk releasing locks and restraints placed on the joint to protect it while *Atlantis* carried it to the station after launching on Saturday from Florida.

About 7:10 am EDT, MacLean reported that one of the four bolts on the cover to SARJ launch lock 8 was missing. The bolt had been there when he removed the cover to access the lock. MacLean reported he did not see the bolt in the SARJ mechanism. The cover is secure with three of the four bolts in place.

In the meantime, mission specialist Joseph Tanner is serving as spacewalk coordinator. Mission specialist Heidemarie Stefanyshyn-Piper is assisting Tanner and operating *Canadarm2*. Tanner and Piper conducted the first spacewalk and will perform a third on Friday.—MNA/Xinhua



Handout from the Korea National University of Education shows the fossilized webbed footprints of birds, believed to be 110 million years old, have been found on the South Korean island of Changseon. INTERNET

SPORTS

Angolan national team ties with local soccer club

LUANDA, 15 Sept — Angola's national soccer team on Thursday drew with local First Division club Benfica de Luanda 1-1 in a friendly ahead of the semifinals of the Cosafa Cup against Zimbabwe in Harare on Sunday.

In the game, the national team tested the tactics that will be used in Sunday's match against Zimbabwe. Love scored for the national squad in the first half.

The team coached by the Angolan Oliveira Gonzalves will leave Friday for Zimbabwe.

Gonzalves, who is in Germany attending a course for coaches, will join the team on Saturday at the venue of the competition.

Angola will try to reach their fourth final after conquering the trophy three times. In 1999 they won under the guide of Djalma Cavalcanti, 2001 under Mrio Calado and in 2004 under the current coach.

MNA/Xinhua



American Nicky Hayden powers out of turn eight during the second practice session at Phillip Island, Australia, on 15 Sept, 2006, before the start of the 2006 Australian Motorcycle Grand Prix. Hayden goes into this race ahead team mate Spain's Danni Pedrosa and world champion Valentino Rossi of Italy. —INTERNET

Italy arbitration court to hear Juve case on 11 Oct

ROME, 15 Sept — Juventus will appear in front of the Italian Olympic Committee's arbitration court on 11 October to try to reduce the sanctions imposed against the club following a match-fixing scandal, the committee said on Thursday.

Lazio and AC Milan will also appear before the court on that day, while Fiorentina's case will be discussed on 12 October, the CONI committee said on its website.

The four clubs were punished by a soccer tribunal for their involvement in the scandal and have since launched a series of appeals before sport authorities to have the sanctions reduced.

Juventus, who were stripped of their last two Serie A titles and were demoted to Serie B with a 17-point deduction, had initially said they would appeal to a civil court.

They later dropped that option, saying they would instead bring the case to the CONI arbitration court.

Milan began the season with an eight-point penalty, Fiorentina began on minus 19 points with Lazio on 11 minus.

Reggina, the fifth Serie A team embroiled in the scandal, were docked 15 points.

MNA/Reuters



Livorno's Stefano Morrone (L) challenges Pasching's Wolfgang Bubenik during their UEFA Cup first round soccer match in Livorno, on 14 Sept, 2006. —INTERNET

Wins for Ajax, Marseille

LONDON, 15 Sept — Former European champions Ajax Amsterdam and Olympique Marseille made winning starts to their UEFA Cup campaigns but there was an embarrassing 0-0 draw for Paris St. Germain at Irish outsiders Derry City on Thursday.

Ajax, a shock casualty in the Champions League qualifiers at the hands of FC Copenhagen, had to work hard for what became an emphatic 5-2 victory over IK Start.

The Norwegians equalized twice before the Dutch took a decisive 3-2 lead with a curling free kick in the 63rd minute from midfielder Wesley Sneijder.

A goal from Roger Garcia and a second of the evening from striker Klaas Jan Huntelaar finally put the game — and almost certainly the first round tie — beyond Start's reach in the 87th minute. Marseille, Champions League winners in 1993, had to settle for a 1-0 victory over Mlada Boleslav at the Stade Velodrome, leaving the Czech side very much alive for the second leg in two weeks' time.

Striker Habib Bamogo volleyed a superb

match-winner after midfielder Sabri Lamouchi split the Czech defence with a 30-metre pass. However, Marseille's Ligue 1 rivals PSG were not so fortunate at Derry City, whose Brandywell ground could only accommodate around 3,000 supporters.

Though the French club applied plenty of pressure, they were also

fortunate when Derry midfielder Killian Brennan hit the crossbar after 15 minutes with keeper Mickael Landreau beaten. PSG coach Guy Lacombe told the club's website: "I've got to congratulate my players who showed respect for Derry and who, like them, showed they were prepared to work hard."

MNA/Reuters



Lenilson (L) of Brazil's Sao Paulo FC challenges Argentina's team Boca Juniors' Martin Palermo during their South American Recopa final soccer match in Sao Paulo on 14 Sept, 2006. —INTERNET

Lennon injury blow for Tottenham, England

PRAGUE, 15 Sept — Tottenham Hotspur's winning return to European action was soured on Thursday by the news that England winger Aaron Lennon could be out for up to six weeks with a knee injury that will require surgery.

Lennon, who missed Tottenham's 1-0 UEFA Cup first round, first leg victory at Slavia Prague, suffered a slight tear in the cartilage of his right knee in training last Friday. The teenager, who made a big impact at the World Cup, will almost certainly miss England's Euro 2008 qualifying ties against Macedonia and Croatia next month.

Tottenham's Dutch coach Martin Jol said he had been hoping Lennon could avoid an operation.

"He is a young guy and we thought he might be able to get away without surgery but he has had more pain and the doctors have decided he will go in for an operation on Saturday," Jol told reporters. "He could be out of action for six weeks."

Midfielder Jermaine Jenas scored the only goal in Prague to make Tottenham favourites to progress in their first European campaign since 1999.

MNA/Reuters

Brazil needs to build 12 stadiums for World Cup

BRASILIA, 15 Sept — Brazil must build at least 12 new stadiums if it wants to host the 2014 World Cup, President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva said on Thursday.

"We don't have any stadium which is in a condition to host World Cup games," Lula said during a speech. "We're going to have to build at least 12 new stadiums in this country."

The 2014 World Cup is due to be held in South America under FIFA's rotation system, and the continent's 10 football federations voted in 2003 to back Brazil as their only candidate.

The Colombian Government has since said that its country is interested in staging the tournament.

Lula also suggested that Brazil should play another so-called peace match, this time in Lebanon, following their visit to strife-torn Haiti to play a friendly in 2004. — MNA/Reuters

US consolidate lead in death group at basketball worlds

RIO DE JANEIRO, 15 Sept — The United States beat Russia 90-80 in the third and last round of the preliminaries at the FIBA women's basketball World Championship in Barueri, Sao Paulos metropolitan region on Thursday.

Ranking first in FIBA's official list for women's national teams, the US also managed to come first in the so-called Death Group (Group C) of the competition, of which Russia ranked second, ahead of China and Nigeria.

US forward Tina Thompson scored game-high 19 points, leading other three players in double digits: forward/centre Candace Parker (17), forward DeLisha Milton-Jones (14) and forward/guard Diana Taurasi (11).

MNA/Xinhua

2007 Copa America creates 60,000 jobs in Venezuela

CARACAS, 15 Sept — Oswaldo Narvaez, the coordinator of soccer's 2007 Copa America, due to be held in Venezuela, said on Thursday that more than 60,000 people were working to organize the competition.

The Copa, the world's oldest international soccer competition, will be held in Caracas, Barquisimeto, Maracaibo,

Merida, Barinas, San Cristobal, Puerto Ordaz, Puerto La Cruz and Maturin, from 21 June, to 15 July, 2007.

In all the stadiums destined for the Cup, working is progressing well and a good number of jobs were generated at every stadium, Narvaez said.

"There is an average of nearly 500 workers in each stadium, and we also have some 4,000 people working in cultural work-

shops, building terraces, and improving public transport links," he said.

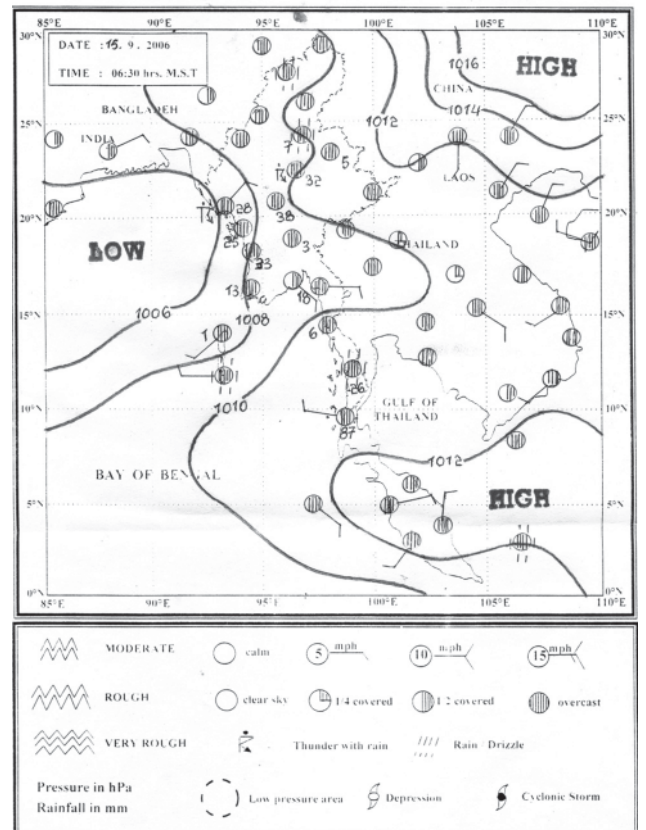
The official said the Cup would leave a significant legacy in Venezuela, including sporting facilities, hotels, transport links, and a solid base ready for Venezuela's bid for the Under-18 soccer World Cup, he added.

MNA/Xinhua



Nissan Motor Co's new safety system warns 'A traffic signal is ahead,' in the car navigation equipment during a demonstration to reporters in Yokohama, south of Tokyo, on 13 Sept, 2006. — INTERNET

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Friday, 15 September, 2006

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours MST: During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Mon State and Magway Division, scattered in Shan and Kayin States, fairly widespread in Kachin and Rakhine States, upper Sagaing and Bago Divisions and widespread in the remaining areas with locally heavyfall in Mandalay Division and isolated heavyfalls in lower Sagaing and Taninthayi Divisions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (0.24) inch, Kawthoung (3.66) inches, Myingyan (2.79) inches, Taunggyi (2.20) inches, Pinyinman (2.08) inches, Kyaukse (1.81) inches, Mandalay (1.77) inches and Meiktila (1.50) inches.

Maximum temperature on 14-9-2006 was 86°F. Minimum temperature on 15-9-2006 was 76°F. Relative humidity at 09:30 hours MST on 15-9-2006 was (92%). Total sunshine hours on 14-9-2006 was (4.2) hours approx.

Rainfalls on 15-9-2006 were (0.15) inch at Mingaladon, (0.74) inch at Kaba-Aye and (0.47) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfalls since 1-1-2006 were (84.17) inches at Mingaladon, (95.43) inches at Kaba-Aye and (100.47) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (8) mph from South at (14:20) hours MST on 14-9-2006.

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

Forecast valid until evening of 16-9-2006: Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Kayah State and Magway Division, scattered in Shan State and Mandalay Division, fairly widespread in Kachin, Chin, Rakhine, Mon and Kayin States, Sagaing and Bago Divisions and widespread in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Continuation of thundery activities in Central Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring areas for 16-9-2006: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring areas for 16-9-2006: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring areas for 16-9-2006: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Weather Outlook for Fourth Weekend of September 2006: During the coming weekend, scattered rain or thundershowers will be in Nay Pyi Taw and Mandalay Division, widespread in Yangon Division.



Saturday, 16 September
View on today

- 7:00 am
1. Recitation of Parittas by Missionary Sayadaw U Ottamathara
- 7:25 am
2. To be healthy exercise
- 7:30 am
3. Morning news
- 7:40 am
4. Nice and sweet song
- 7:55 am
5. အကပြိုင်ပွဲ
- 8:00 am
6. မိုးယုန်းကြီး ရေထိမ်းတံခါး
- 8:10 am
7. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ
- 8:20 am
8. Musical programme
- 8:30 am
9. International news
- 8:45 am
10. Grammar made easy
- 11:00 am
1. Martial song
- 11:15 am
2. Musical programme
- 11:30 am
3. News
- 11:40 am
4. Games for children

- 12:05 pm
5. Round up of the week's TV local news
- 12:50 pm
6. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ဆည်းဆာ" (အပိုင်း-၁၆)
- 1:25 pm
7. ကြားမြင်သုတပြည့်ဝစေရာ စာပဒေသာ
- 1:35 pm
8. "သတင်းကောင်း" (သျှားညို၊ ဆုပန်ထွာ၊ ပွင့်) (ဒါရိုက်တာ- ညိုမင်းလွင်)
- 1:55 pm
9. အထူးအမြန်ရထား စီးကာသွား
- 2:10 pm
10. Dance of national races
- 2:20 pm
11. ကူးလူးဆက်သွယ်ချစ်ကြီးနွယ် (ကရင်၊ မွန်)
- 2:30 pm
12. "မနိုင်သောအရိုး" (ဟက်ကတ်၊ ဇင်ရဲထက်၊ ခိုင်သင်းကြည်) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-အောင်မောင်လှမျိုး)
- 2:45 pm
13. International news
- 4:00 pm
1. Martial song
- 4:15 pm
2. Song to uphold National Spirit
- 4:30 pm
3. English for everyday use
- 4:45 pm
4. Musical programme
- 4:50 pm
5. အပေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ -ပထမနှစ် (ပထဝီဝင်အထူးပြု)

- (ပထဝီဝင်)
- 5:05 pm
6. တီးကွက်ညီညာညွန့်သံသာ
- 5:15 pm
7. Musical programme
- 5:25 pm
8. Games for children
- 5:45 pm
9. ၂၀၀၆ ခုနှစ် (၁၄) ကြိမ်မြောက် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှု အဆို၊ အက၊ အရေး၊ အတီး ပြိုင်ပွဲ ဝင်များ လေ့လာနိုင်ကြရန် (ခေတ်ဟောင်းတေးနှင့် ကာလပေါ်တေး) (အဆင့်မြင့်ပညာအဆင့်) (အမျိုးသား)
- 6:00 pm
10. Evening news
- 6:30 pm
11. Weather report
- 6:35 pm
12. Discovery
- 6:50 pm
13. ၂၀၀၆ ခုနှစ် (၁၄) ကြိမ်မြောက် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှု အဆို၊ အက၊ အရေး၊ အတီး ပြိုင်ပွဲ (ရုပ်သေးပြိုင်ပွဲ ဆွေးနွေးခန်း)
- 7:00 pm
14. မူဟန်သွယ်သွယ်ဆိုကြမယ်
- 7:10 pm
15. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မာမာန်ဆောင်းရဲနေ့ရက်များ" (အပိုင်း-၇)
- 8:00 pm
16. News
- 17. International news
- 18. Weather report
- 19. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မေတ္တာပန်းတိုင်" (အပိုင်း-၁၉)
- 20. The next day's programme



Saturday, 16 September
Tune in today

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Commander inspects regional development work in Kanhtaungyi station in Myebon township

NAY PYI TAW, 15 Sept — Chairman of Rakhine State Peace and Development Council Commander of Western Command Brig-Gen Maung Shein and Deputy Commander Brig-Gen Tin Hlaing on September morning arrived at the briefing hall for construction of Shyaukshon-Kanhtaungyi road at the mile post 20/1 on An-Swittway road where the engineer in charge reported on construction work and the deputy commander gave a supplementary report. After giving necessary instructions, the commander and party went to Kanhtaungyi village by boat, called on the village monastery Sayadaw Bhaddanta Panna Jota and donated offertories.

On arrival at Kanhtaungyi Station Basic Education High School, the commander heard a report by the headmistress on academic matters and inspected the construction of a new school building.

At the Kanhtaungyi Basic Education Middle School, the commander met departmental staff, social organizations and townsenders. The Myebon Township PDC Chairman reported on regional development work. The commander stressed the need for implementation of the five rural development tasks and attended to the needs.

In the afternoon, the commander paid a visit to Kanhtaungyi station hospital (16-bed) where he comforted the patients and provided cash assistance. At a ceremony to donate cash to the hospital, the commander donated K 100,000. Afterwards, he accepted cash donated by wellwishers and handed over the cash donations to Dr Than Tun Kyaw. The cash donations for the hospital amounted to K 860,000.

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Myekhedaung Dam to guarantee regional rice sufficiency, greening of the region

The Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation, in compliance with the guidance of the Head of State, has been constructing small dams in Pakokku Township, a region where water is scarce, in Magway Division, upper Myanmar.

Myekhedaung Dam built by Magway Division Irrigation Department is one of the fruitful results of the drive in Pakokku Township. It is five furlongs west of Kaingmagyi Village in Yesagy Township, Pakokku District. It is going to benefit some 500 acres of paddy and contribute towards the greening of the region.

The project was launched in 2005 and now

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construction tasks have completed cent per cent.

The earthen facility has a 44-foot-high and 1,300-foot-long embankment. The region has an average annual rainfall of 19 inches only. The annual inflow of water into the facility is about 1,400 acre feet. If the region has expected rainfall and other water inflows get into the dam, its water

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Myekhedaung Dam in Yesagy Township, Pakokku District, Magway Division.

Objectives of the 14th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions

- To vitalize patriotism and nationalism
- To preserve and safeguard Myanmar cultural heritage
- To perpetuate genuine Myanmar music, dance and traditional fine arts
- To preserve Myanmar national character
- To nurture spiritual development of the youths
- To prevent influence of alien culture, and
- To strengthen national unity and Union Spirit.



Commander of South-East Command Brig-Gen Thet Naing Win gives prize to a winner in Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions in Mawlamyine on 6 September. (NEWS REPORTED)—MNA

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“When I read books, I have come to realize that life is a single person’s struggle as everyone comes to life alone; and that I don’t need to rely on any other person. Hence, I have always been trying to improve my life and purify my mind in accord with the Buddha’s teachings which urge people to rely on themselves. Most of the village people respect me for my moral conduct. I am the secretary of the Dhamma Sakka Association of the village. Books at the library taught me to be brave and sincere. They made me possess endurance and zeal and change my mind for good. I would like to urge the entire village to lend a helping hand for the long-lasting of the library.

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