

Prime Minister General Soe Win on inspection of Yeywa, Shweli hydel power projects

35 per cent of Yeywa and 38 per cent of Shweli hydel power projects completed



Prime Minister General Soe Win inspects Yeywa Hydel Power Project in Kyaukse Township.— MNA

Minister General Soe Win arrived at Yeywa hydel power project in the morning. At the briefing hall, the Prime Minister and party heard reports on progress in implementing the hydel power project, laying of concrete and stockpiling of electrical tools and machines presented by Minister for Electric Power No 1 Col Zaw Min.

Next, Deputy Min-

ister U Myo Myint briefed on measures taken for building of a standard RCC concrete dam. Afterwards, Minister for Electric Power No 2 Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint briefed on measures for power to be generated and distributed by Yeywa and Shweli hydel power plants, and erection of power grid, sub-power stations, power lines and towers.

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All personnel of hydel power projects and power distribution projects should work with goodwill to serve the national interest to the best of their ability.

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Sept — Chairman of Work Committee for Electric Power Development Project Prime Minister General Soe Win went on an inspection of Yeywa hydel power project in Kyaukse District, Mandalay Division on 23 September and Shweli hydel power project, Muse District, Shan State (North) yesterday. During the inspection of the hydel power projects, the Prime Minister gave necessary instructions.

Accompanied by Members of the State Peace and Development Council Lt Gen Ye Myint and Lt-Gen Kyaw Win, Chairman of Mandalay Division PDC Commander of Central Command Maj-Gen Khin Zaw, the ministers, and the departmental heads, Prime



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PERSPECTIVES

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Extend production of agricultural equipment and machines

Myanmar is an agricultural country and efforts are being made to transform her into an industrialized nation based on agriculture. The government is establishing more and more import-substitute industries, and private industries, on their part, are producing machines and consumer goods.

The agriculture sector plays a pivotal role in the national economic development. Therefore, to produce agricultural machines for the farmers, agricultural equipment factories have been established at Ingon in Mandalay Division and at Ywathagyi in Yangon Division.

The Myanma agricultural equipment factory (Ingon) produces 10,000 power-tillers and 5,000 paddy harvesters annually. Moreover, Leyar-16 and Leyar-22 power-tillers are being upgraded there in order to meet the needs of farmers.

In addition to the establishment of agricultural equipment industries that can contribute to development of the agriculture sector, steps should be taken to produce bio diesel from physic nut seeds so that the fuel can be used easily in the agricultural machines.

As the government has invested funds and human resources in these agricultural equipment factories, we would like to call on all those responsible of the factories to try their level best to extend the production of agricultural equipment and machines. Only then will agricultural production become higher.

MWAF meets staff families of training schools in PyinOoLwin

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Sept— Leader of Women Rehabilitation and Reintegration Working Group Daw Tin Tin Nwe and Leader of Reintegration and Resettlement Sub-Working Group Daw Kyi Kyi Mya of Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation met with members of Women's Affairs Organization and staff families of the Central Training Department for Myanmar Police Force, Central Institute of Civil Service (Upper Myanmar) and Central Fire Services Training School in PyinOoLwin on 22 September.

They explained the organizational set-up of the federation and its rehabilitation and reintegration tasks, trafficking in persons, prevention of violence against women, nurturing of girls and resettlement matters. — 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

Tourist guides submits papers



Hotels and Tourism Minister Maj-Gen Soe Naing addresses the paper reading session of tourist guides. — MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Sept — With the purpose of improving hotels and travel services, a paper reading session of tourist guides was held at Karaweik Palace yesterday, with an address by Minister for Hotels and Tourism Maj-Gen Soe Naing.

Present on the occasion were Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Aye Myint Kyu, Director-General of Directorate of Hotels and Tourism U Htay Aung, chairmen of hotel and travel entrepreneurs' associations, guests and tourist guides

First, the minister made an opening speech on the occasion. Next, French guide U Ngwe Win spoke words of thaks. Afterwards, U Ngwe Win presented collective cash donations K 500,000 made by the tourist guides to principal U Ohn Kyaw of tourist guide training school.

Next, eight tourist guides read out their papers. After the review on the papers, Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Aye Myint Kyu made concluding remarks.

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Coord meeting held at Ministry of Education



Education Minister Dr Chan Nyein delivers an address at the work coordination meeting.

MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Sept — A coordination meeting of the Ministry of Education was held at the meeting hall of the ministry here this morning, with an address by Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein.

Also present on the occasion were Deputy Ministers U Myo Nyunt and Brig-Gen Aung Myo Min, directors-general of the departments, chairmen of organizations and boards, deputy directors-general and directors, rectors of universities and division and state education officers.

First, the minister explained the guidance on ensuring the enhancement of education sector made by the Head of State and directives of educational func-

tions instructed by the chairman of Myanmar Education Committee. The state and division education officers and rectors of the universities, on their part, are to make all-out efforts to beef up both basic education and higher education sectors and to fully implement the guidance made by the Head of State and the chairman of Myanmar Education Committee.

Next, the state and division education officers and rectors of the universities briefed on respective departmental functions. In connection with the reports, the deputy ministers gave supplementary reports and the minister made concluding remarks.

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China, South Africa enhance cooperation in Customs

PRETORIA, 24 Sept—Chinese Customs signed a memorandum of cooperation and agreed minutes with its South African partner here on Friday to enhance cooperation between the two countries.

The agreement was signed by Mu Xinsheng, minister of China's General Administration of Customs, and Pravin

Gordhan, commissioner of South African Revenue Service. It provided a basis for the two governments to endorse a bilateral agreement on mutual administrative assistance on Customs matter.

The agreement were welcomed by South Africa's Deputy Finance Minister Jabulani Moleketi and Chinese

Ambassador to South Africa Liu Guijin.

The two sides have also agreed on a pilot project to manage the trade between China and South Africa. This will entail the advance electronic submission of Customs data and will allow for the joint detection of high risk.

The bilateral Customs agreement will create a stronger legal basis for Customs cooperation in the administration of bilateral trade. It will also support the memorandum of understanding on the importation of textile and clothing that was signed between the two countries.

MNA/Xinhua

19 Afghan workers killed by militants in S Afghanistan

KABUL, 24 Sept—Nineteen Afghan construction workers were killed by an ambush in the southern Kandahar Province of Afghanistan, a local official told Xinhua on Friday.

A bus carrying some Afghan construction workers was attacked in Shorawak District by a roadside bomb at 4:00 pm local time on Thursday, said Haji Sultan Mohammad, the district's police chief. Some militants then shot the workers with machineguns, Mohammad said, adding 19 workers were killed in the explosion and firing, and three others were injured.

However, some local reports quoted Interior Ministry as saying the ambush in Shorawak,

about 200 kilometres south of Kandahar City, the provincial capital, occurred on Thursday.

MNA/Xinhua



Visitor views a stone pedestal unearthed from the mausoleum of a Xi Xia king, at the Zhejiang Museum in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province, on 22 Sept, 2006. A three-month exhibition on Xi Xia civilization was opened at the museum on Friday. Xi Xia was a kingdom established in the 11th century in what is now Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region in northwest China. — XINHUA



The reparation work of the Summer Palace in Beijing was completed and reopened to the public on 23 Sept, 2006. — XINHUA

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Thai King backs coup leadership. The leaders of Thailand's military coup are given formal royal endorsement in a televised ceremony recently. — INTERNET

Mexican senators call for halt to US envoy's "interventionism"

MEXICO CITY, 24 Sept—Senators from opposition parties on Friday called on Mexico's Foreign Ministry to stop what they described as "interventionism" by US Ambassador to Mexico Tony Garza. Senators from the Democratic Revolution Party (PRD) and the Institutional Revolution Party (PRI) asked the ministry to publish a diplomatic statement to condemn Garza's behaviour.

On Thursday, Garza reiterated a warning that violence in Mexico "remains active" after a meeting between senior officials from both governments in Laredo, a border city in the southern US state of Texas.

PRD senator Arturo Herviz said Garza was interfering constantly and had made anti-Mexico statements.

Garza should look first at his nation, Herviz said, "there is a constant state of alert about possible terrorist attacks that is used as a pretext for the violation of fundamental human rights". Carlos Jimenez Macias, spokesman for the PRI group in the Senate, said that Garza lacked the moral grounds to complain about Mexican violence. — MNA/Xinhua

Five killed, 20 injured in China bus fire

BEIJING, 24 Sept—A five people and injured 20, state media said on Friday. The owner of the bag was suspected of "being responsible" for the fire on Thursday morning in

Mudanjiang, in Heilongjiang Province, Xinhua news agency said.

"A passenger who managed to escape from the fire told police that he saw

the woman carrying a large bag, which police later discovered was packed with gasoline and firecrackers," Xinhua said. "Investigations show that the gasoline and firecrackers in the bag burst into flames. Police are still trying to establish the identity of the woman and her reasons for carrying gasoline and firecrackers on to the bus." — MNA/Reuters

At least 26 killed in E Baghdad explosion

BAGHDAD, 24 Sept—A powerful explosion rocked the Sadr City neighbourhood in eastern Baghdad on Saturday, killing at least 26 people and wounding 21 others, a well-informed police source told Xinhua.

"A powerful explosion took place at about 10:00 am (0600 GMT) near the al-Dakhil gas station in the slum of Sadr City," the source said on condition of anonymity. It was not clear whether the blast caused by a car bomb or a planted explosive charge, the police said.—MNA/Xinhua

Indian minister invites Korean investors to India

SEOUL, 24 Sept — Finance Minister P Chidambaram Thursday invited the South Korean business community to invest in India, billing it is a country with the highest growth potential in the next 50 years among emerging market peers like Brazil, Russia and China.

The country's economy could be larger than all but US and China in 30 years. India is poised to grow at higher rates even after 2050, he said while addressing representatives of South Korean business and industry.

Indian economy is currently the world's fourth largest in terms of real GDP (PPP) and second fastest growing major economy in the world, he said adding there is very little political risk, he said.

Outlining advantages of investing in India, Chidambaram said India, as an investment destination, provided a stable political climate, rule of law, large and educated manpower and the welcoming attitude of governments at the national and state levels.

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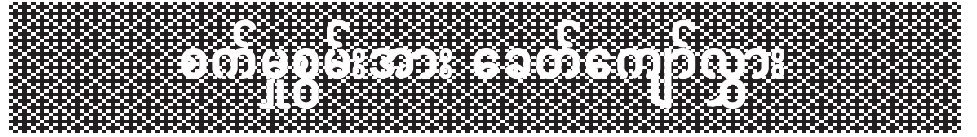
offers one of the safest investment opportunities in terms of country-risk also. In terms of the FDI Confidence Index (AT Kearney), India rose to the second most attractive FDI location in 2005 just behind China, he said.

Trade with South Korea, one of India's important bilateral partners, has grown impressively from 1.6 billion dollars in

2001-02 to 6.3 billion dollars in 2005-06, he said.

The share of bilateral trade had increased from 1.69 per cent to 2.53 per cent within a span of five years, he said, adding that Korea was the ninth largest FDI source for the country with 754 million dollar, representing 2.1 per cent of total FDI inflows into India.

MNA/PTI



Honda Motor Co's prototype next-generation fuel cell vehicle "FCX Concept" runs on a test course in Haga town, north of Tokyo, in this undated handout image released by Honda Motor on 24 Sept, 2006. Honda's new FCX fuel-cell car now has a driving range of 570 km (354 miles) — a 30 percent improvement from the 2005 model. Its maximum speed is 160 km (100 miles) per hour, and it can be driven in temperatures as low as minus 30 degrees Celsius (-22 F). Honda plans to begin marketing the car in limited numbers in 2008 in Japan and the United States.—INTERNET

UN agency says Antarctic ozone hole nears record

GENEVA, 24 Sept — The hole over Antarctica's ozone layer is bigger than last year and is nearing the record 29-million-square-kilometre (11-million-square-mile) hole seen in 2000, the World Meteorological Organization said on Friday.

Geir Braathen, the

United Nations weather agency's top ozone expert, said ozone depletion had a late onset in this year's southern hemisphere winter, when low temperatures normally trigger chemical reactions that break down the atmospheric layer that filters dangerous solar

radiation.

"The ozone depletion started quite late, but when it started it came quite rapidly," Braathen told journalists in Geneva.

"It (the hole) has now risen to a level that has passed last year's, and is very close to, if not equal to, the ozone hole size of 2003, and also approaching the size of 2000," he said.

The Antarctic ozone hole was at its second-largest in 2003.

While use of ozone-depleting chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) has waned, Braathen said large amounts of chlorine and bromine remain in the atmosphere and would keep causing large reductions in the Antarctic ozone layer for many years to come.

MNA/Reuters

Nepali parliamentarian killed in E Nepal

KATHMANDU, 24 Sept— A group of unidentified gunmen shot dead a Nepali parliamentarian Saturday morning in Siraha District in eastern Nepal, the state owned Nepal Television reported.

Krishna Charan Shrestha was shot by three gunmen who came on motorcycles at his residence in Belha Village of the district, some 350 kilometres east of the capital Kathmandu, the TV channel quoted the District Police Office as reporting.

Two people including an attacker were also killed during the clash between local people and the attackers.

Police said the locals held one of the attackers whereas one managed to escape.

Shrestha, who represented Rastriya Prajatantra Party (RPP) in the House of Representative or Parliament, is also the former minister of Agriculture of Nepal. — MNA/Xinhua



A team from Beijing performs during the march parade of the 9th Beijing International Cultural Tourism Festival in Beijing, capital of China, on 24 Sept, 2006. Over 2,500 people from 23 countries and regions attended the carnival on Sunday. — XINHUA

Malaysian police seize 243 kilos of drugs

KUALA LUMPUR, 24 Sept — Malaysian police Saturday seized 243 kilos of compressed ganja in Penang State.

Following a tip-off, local police conducted the raid early Saturday

morning in a house in Penang, a narcotics department spokesman said. "Investigations show the ganja was smuggled from a neighbouring country through Balik Pulau in Penang.

MNA/Xinhua

S Africa stunt plane crashes near Cape Town

CAPE TOWN, 24 Sept — A South African stunt plane crashed into the sea near Cape Town on Friday ahead of an air show, military sources and rescue officials said.

"An aircraft has gone into the water," said Craig Lambinon, a spokesman

for the National Sea Rescue Institute (NSRI) in Cape Town. "The NSRI are responding on the scene together with police divers."

A military source said the plane was apparently part of a stunt team practising for an air show.

There was no immediate word on any casualties.

Helicopters were reported to be circling the area of Table Bay where the plane was seen crashing into the water, the SAPA news agency said.

MNA/Reuters



A maglev train runs on 25 Sept, 2006 in Shanghai, China, which has the world's only commercially operating maglev. China's top leaders have offered condolences to the families of the 23 people killed in a maglev train accident in Germany, the foreign ministry said last Saturday. —XINHUA

China needs to import 4.51 mln tons of cotton to meet demand

BEIJING, 24 Sept—China's demand for cotton is expected to reach 10.6 million tons this year, while output is estimated at six million tons, a cotton official said. Lei Xiangju, general manager of China National Cotton Reserves Corporation, said demand would continue to outstrip supply. She estimated the shortfall at 4.51 million tons.

She said the gap between supply and demand would continue to widen in 2006 despite tough times for the textile industry which is having to face up to rising costs, falling competitiveness and the strengthening of the Chinese yuan.

In 2006, China's cotton-growing area

totalled 79 million mu (5.27 million hectares), an increase of three million mu (200,000 hectares) on a year ago.

Last year, China produced 5.7 million tons of cotton, down 9.8 per cent from 2004, according to data from the National Bureau of Statistics.—MNA/Xinhua

US unionist delegation deported from Zimbabwe

HARARE, 24 Sept—A five-member delegation from the US-based rightwing Coalition of Black Trade Unions (CBTU) was promptly deported after touching down at Harare International Airport Friday afternoon, the official *The Herald* reported on Saturday.

US ambassador to Zimbabwe Christopher Dell, who was on hand to

receive the delegation, made efforts to prevent the deportation, but all was in vain as immigration authorities remained steadfast that the visit was unacceptable, the newspaper said.

Acting Minister of Information and Publicity Munyaradzi Paul Mangwana said Zimbabwe issues visas at the port of entry and the immigration authorities acted within

their rights to protect the national interest.

"As a country, we have the right to admit or bar certain visitors, and I am sure the immigration authorities looked after our national interest in coming to that decision," the minister said.

"After all, our people are denied visas to travel to the United States on a daily basis, and we do not ask them why, and they

should not ask us why we deported their delegation," he added.

The CBTU became the latest foreign trade union to attempt to barge into Zimbabwe to further the opposition's agenda against the government after Danish Trade Union Council and the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu) delegations were deported last year, the newspaper said.—MNA/Xinhua



Russia's Elena Belyaeva performs at the World Extreme Figure Skating Championship in St Petersburg, Russia, on 24 Sept 2006.

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New finding in molecule research in Singapore

SINGAPORE, 24 Sept—Scientists in Singapore have found the importance of a molecule in the study of diseases like cancer, according to Channel NewsAsia reports Friday.

Researchers from the Genome Institute of Singapore released the

results pointing out the importance of a small molecule named micro RNA in the research of diseases.

They carried out experiments using a mathematical model developed by International Business Machines (IBM)

Research, and found micro RNA regulates a cell's ability to produce protein. Protein enables the cell to carry out functions like regeneration, growth and reproduction — signs of a healthy cell, according to the scientists.

MNA/Xinhua

Helicopter carrying minister missing in Nepal

KATHMANDU, 24 Sept—A helicopter carrying a Nepali minister along with high government officials, World Wildlife Fund

(WWF) staffers diplomats as well as prominent personalities of Nepal went missing Saturday morning.

"The helicopter

leaving for district headquarters of Taplejung from remote Ghumsa Village of the same district, some 600 kilometres east of Kathmandu, lost contact at 12 am local time," the leading web newsportal www.themalayantimes.com quoted a close source at the Nepali Army as saying.

As many as 24 persons including Forest Minister Gopal Rai, his wife, Damodar Parajuli, secretary at the Forest Ministry, Pauli Mustonen Charge d'Affaires, Embassy of Finland, Margaret Alexander of the United States Agency for International Development and WWF staffers were on board of Shree Airlines helicopter, a private company.

MNA/Xinhua

Norway taped plot to blow up US, Israel embassies

OSLO, 24 Sept—Norwegian prosecutors unveiled on Friday evidence against four men detained on suspicion of plotting to blow up the US and Israeli embassies and of participating in a shooting at the Oslo synagogue last weekend. Prosecutor Unni Fries told a court the Norwegian secret services had bugged the car of the main suspect and recorded conversations between the men planning the attacks.—MNA/Reuters

A 1959 Messerschmitt motorcycle from South Africa participates in a vintage car and motorcycle show in Nairobi on 24 Sept, 2006. Fifteen entries from outside Kenya took part in this year's East Africa Concoure d'Elegance contest, the highest number of overseas participants since the contest's inaugural show.

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Costa Rica resumes relations with Kuwait, Bahrain, Yemen

SAN JOSE, 24 Sept— Costa Rica has resumed diplomatic relations with Kuwait, Bahrain and Yemen after Foreign Minister Bruno Stagno's Friday talks with his counterparts from the three Arab countries in New York, the Costa Rican Foreign Ministry said in a statement.

The diplomatic moves came after the Central American country announced on 16 August that it would move its embassy in Israel from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv.

During a meeting on the sidelines of the 61st United Nations General Assembly, Stagno and Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh

Mohammad al-Sabah al-Salem al-Sabah also discussed UN reforms, the race for the next UN Secretary-General, and other issues, according to the statement.

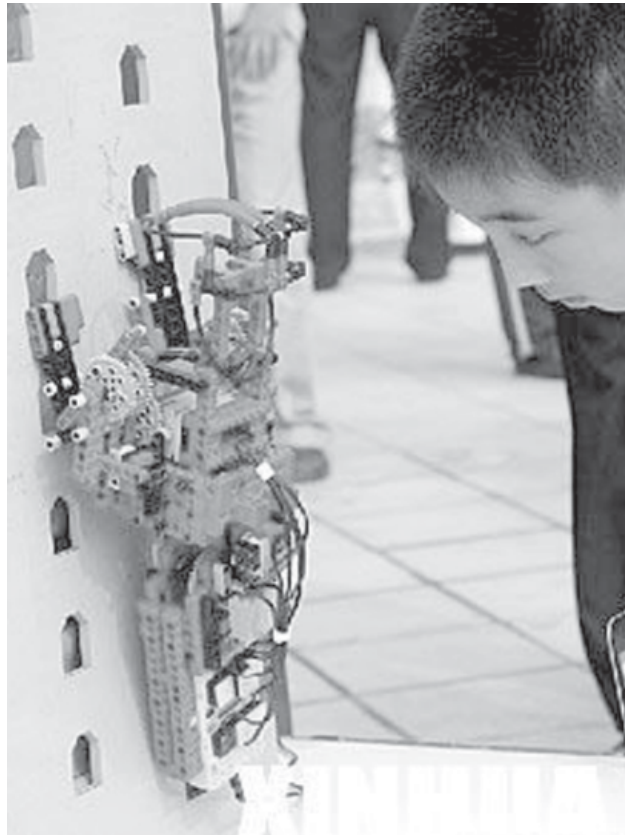
Sheikh Mohammad said Kuwait supports Costa Rica's bid for a non-permanent membership of the UN Security Council for

2008-2009, and the political consultation mechanisms between Latin American nations and the 22-member Arab League.

Stagno also met with Syrian Foreign Minister Walid al-Muallem in New York and exchanged views on resumi—MNA/Xinhua

A boy is attracted by a robot climbing on the wall, in the China (Jinan) International Information Technology Exposition, which opened in Jinan, capital of east China's Shandong Province, on 21 Sept, 2006.

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Two elderly men sit near a sculpture of Confucius in Shanghai recently. A row has erupted over a statue of Confucius, unveiled in his hometown in Qufu, eastern Shandong Province, which the China Confucius Foundation has declared to be the "standard" image to be used at home and abroad. — INTERNET

Kuwait establishes diplomatic relations with Costa Rica

KUWAIT CITY, 24 Sept— Kuwait has signed with Costa Rica an agreement in New

York to establish bilateral diplomatic relations, Kuwait Television reported on Saturday. After the signing on Friday, the two countries issued a joint statement, saying that the governments of Kuwait and Costa Rica agreed to establish diplomatic relations at ambassadors' level starting from the signing date. Kuwaiti Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Sheikh Moham-

mad Sabah al-Salem al-Sabah welcomed the move, saying that Costa Rica was the 20th Latin-American country to establish diplomatic ties with the state of Kuwait.

Costa Rican Foreign Minister Bruno Stango termed the establishment of ties with Kuwait an "excellent step", which could ensure a gateway to the Arab world.

MNA/Xinhua

Spain's British wheat imports slump

MADRID, 24 Sept — Spain is importing far more wheat from outside the European Union this year and practically none from Britain, which last year was one of its biggest suppliers, traders said.

Britain exported 1.3 million tons of wheat to Spain in the crop year to the end of June. Traders say this year British prices are too high and Spain's import needs are lower.

"Britain's imports were exceptional last year...this year the domestic harvest is better and we started out with substantial stocks so the situation is different," a trader said on Friday.

"The harvest has not been so good there and the price is very high," she said.

A rise in prices from other destinations had narrowed the gap in recent weeks. Feed makers use national wheat when available, but much of the

milling wheat is imported.

A docking company source in Spain's main grain port of Tarragona on the east coast said wheat imports had surged since the beginning of July.

"We've got half Europe's wheat in Tarragona right now...we're close to overbooking."

Most had come from the Black Sea area, from Bulgaria, Romania, Ukraine and Russia, he said.

"From Britain we've had only small quantities of bread wheat."

British Customs figures show wheat exports to Spain were just over 4,000 tons this July, compared with 95,000 tons in July last year.

MNA/Reuters



A man removes debris near his burnt vehicle after a car bomb attack targeting a police patrol in Baghdad on 24 Sept, 2006. The attack killed two people, one of them a policeman, and wounded 17 others, police said.

INTERNET

Uganda to enact 10-year national development plan

KAMPALA, 24 Sept— The Uganda National Planning Authority is in final stages of tabling a 10-year national development plan for the government and the private sector. "The plan will provide a benchmark for the narrowing of income inequalities amongst communities in Uganda," Frank Mabiiriizi, the Chairman of the National Planning Authority, was quoted by *Daily Monitor* on Saturday as saying.

MNA/Xinhua

Over 490,000 vulnerable Zambian households aided by state

LUSAKA, 24 Sept — Over 490,000 vulnerable Zambian households have been aided by state in the past five years, *Zambia Daily Mail* reported on Saturday.

Community Development and Social Service Permanent Secretary Barbara Chilangwa was quoted by the newspaper as saying that thanks to the aid now the families are able to produce enough food for themselves.

The vulnerable households include those headed by women and children, the aged, disabled and the terminally ill. Others aided by state are unemployed youths, victims of natural disasters and institutions looking after orphans who cannot afford to pay for subsidized inputs

available under the fertilizer support programme. The secretary said in Lusaka that during the 2005 to 2006 season 33,000 households were provided with 21 billion kwacha (5.25 million US dollars).

The vulnerable farmers have been equipped with knowledge and skills in conservation farming and they have also been trained in food process, preservation and nutrition to enable them to add value to their produce, reduce post harvest losses and broaden use of their produce, the government official said.— MNA/Xinhua

Bright and drug-free future of border areas

Myint Soe (Na-ta-la)

I first saw poppy fields while on tour of Shan State as a young officer, and the opportunity I had then was a thorough study of the way of living and lifestyles of opium farmers. At the rural markets opened once every five days were raw opium sold by local people, but not in large quantities. As for the local people, earnings from opium sales were just to buy rice and edible oil plus other necessities at the markets. During the opium cultivation season, I saw farmers growing poppy on slopes and valleys at secluded areas. But they grew poppy with no other aim, but just to feed their families. They had no idea that opium would be refined into heroin, a menace to the entire mankind. The persons who knew it were colonialists distributing the drugs world-wide. The Kuomintang that intruded into Myanmar territory in 1949 followed the steps of their colonialist masters.

Opium was the main economy of Burma Communist Party insurgents while they were trying to gain a foothold in their north-east military region. Other insurgent groups under the domination of BCP tried to increase poppy cultivation and opium production in their respective regions. As for the local people, they had to grow poppy for those insurgents and ended up their lives in the quagmire of opium addiction. During the time from 1976 to 1988, the Tatmadaw launched Moehein, Ngayepan, Taungyanshin, Taunghteikpan and Aungmoehin military operations to destroy poppy fields and opium refineries as a national task, in which many Tatmadaw members sacrificed their lives.

In 1996, the nation saw the unconditional surrender of the MTA which also abandoned its drug business once and for all.

What's more, Myanmar declared globally that the whole Shan State Special Region 4 as an opium free zone in April 1997, thanks to the six-year project that began in 1991. Kokang region in northern Shan State ended illicit poppy cultivation in 2003, running alternative farming projects as a source of income for former opium farmers. Wa region was also on the right direction to become the nation's another drug free zone after terminating illegal cultivation of poppy in 2005.

The 15-year narcotic elimination plan stretching from 1999 to 2014 will gradually reduce poppy cultivation and opium production in border regions of Shan, Kachin, Kayah and Chin states till they become entirely free from drugs. New Destiny Project, the forerunner of alternative farming, started in April 2002. In the five states covered by the project offi-

cial are educating local people to quit the habit of poppy cultivation, distributing seeds of alternative crops free of charge and supplying livestock and provisions for ex-opium farmers. Thanks to the project, local farmers presented poppy seeds and dried poppy pods to local authorities of their own volition. The respective regions destroyed those seeds and pods for a number of times.

The government enacted the Border Areas and National Races Development Law in 1993, with the aim of establishing economic enterprises in border areas to end opium cultivation and production once and for all. In other words, the law is part of the government's efforts to root out the problem of narcotic drugs, which is the evil legacy of the colonialists.

Geographical condition and poor transport made border regions lag behind in development. Over 40 years of internal armed insurgency had increased the time and enlarged the work volume to develop border regions. Hence, the Tatmadaw government has restored national unity and is striving with greater momentum for progress of border areas and national races.

The nation formed the Central Committee for Development of Border Areas and National Races, with Head of State Senior General Than Shwe at the helm, on 25 May 1989 to lay down projects and implement them. To realize the policies laid down by the central committee, the Work Committee for Development of Border Areas and National Races, chaired by Prime Minister General Soe Win, 11 regional committees and 18 subcommittees have been organized. In addition, the government set up the Ministry for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs.

During the period from 1989 to date, the government spent over K 84,750 million in developing border areas and its people. A total of 79.5 per cent of the expenditure was used in areas where poppy cultivation was not totally eradicated. Development of socio-economy and human resources has contributed much towards the elimination of narcotic drugs. In accord with the guidance of the Head of State, priority has been given to road and bridge construction. From 1989 to date, the government built 3360 miles of earth roads, 2166 miles of gravel roads and 385 miles of tarred roads, repaired 3396 miles of roads and erected 71 major bridges, 975 small bridges and 39 suspension bridges in border areas.

Parents who once took their children to poppy fields with the belief that opium was the only source of

income for earning their living are now enrolling their offspring at schools. At present, the border areas have 170,920 students, up from only over 1000 in 1988. The 30-year education project has opened more schools in the areas which now have 852 primary schools, 90 middle schools and 92 high schools.

In the past, the areas wrongly used opium as the drug to cure various kinds of illnesses, and spiritual beings and witchcraft dominated the thoughts and beliefs of local people. The government has built 79 hospitals, 115 dispensaries, 58 rural health care centres and 140 sub-rural health care centres in the areas to provide public health care. It also built 51 telegraph offices, 52 post offices, 85 telephone exchanges and 11 TV retransmission stations and installed 262 generators that are now supplying power to 196 villages.

In addition, the government opened 31 agriculture offices, 117 agriculture centres, 11 tractor stations and 41 veterinary offices to help implement the opium-substitute project. Paddy, corn, wheat and edible oil crops cultivation has been extended for local food sufficiency in the areas. Perennial and industrial crops are being grown for income and job generation. Due to the efforts of local national races, large rubber product plantations appeared in Pangsang, Mongmaw and Namtip regions in northern Shan State, followed by the emergence of finished rubber product factories. Wulong tea of Mongmaw region now has markets abroad. Commercial-scale mango, orange, lychee and logan fields are thriving in Kokang region. Local people have set up over 20,000 acres of rubber and over 40,000 acres of orange, tea, lychee, logan and mango fields under their own arrangement in Kokang and Wa regions on east bank of Thanlwin River and Mongla region in eastern Shan State. Those are all the promising signs towards eradicating narcotic drugs in the regions.

- * As the government is able to restore national unity, the border areas are enjoying peace and stability as never before.
- * Border areas and national races development project that has come into being together with peace and stability has been developing the socio-economy of the local people.
- * The government has been exerting all-round efforts for human resources development of border areas. In other words, it is nurturing nationality youths to become ones who safeguard the national interest possessing greater degree of knowledge and strong national spirit and patriotism.

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Prime Minister General Soe Win on inspection...

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In his instructions the Prime Minister said that Yeywa hydel power project is importance for development of the power distribution sector of the entire nation. The project staff should strive for completion of the hydel power plant and dam as best as and as soon as they can, while installing power lines for distributing electricity in accord with the target. The Government is building dams and water pumping stations one after another across the country to ef-



Prime Minister General Soe Win and party pose for a documentary photo at Shweli Hydel Power Project. — MNA



Prime Minister General Soe Win inspects Shweli Hydel Power Project. — MNA

Power Implementation Department of the Ministry of Electric Power No 1 is implementing Yeywa hydel power project on Myintnge river near Yeyaman village, 31 miles to south-east of Mandalay. Yeywa hydel power project will generate 790 megawatts. 35 per cent of the whole project has been so far completed.

Accompanied by Chairman of Shan State PDC Commander of North-East Command Brig-Gen Aung Than Htut, the Prime Minister and party went on an inspection tour of Shweli hydel power project in Namhkham, Muse District, Shan State (North) on 24 September.

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fectively use the water resources for agriculture. The Government is implementing hydel power projects to generate power essential for national development. Apart from heavy projects, medium-and small-scale ones are also being built. Practical efforts are being made overtime to meeting the growing power demand of the nation. Public electricity demand grows together with the changes and developments of the lifestyles. All personnel of the hydel power projects and power distribution projects should work with goodwill to serve the national interest to the best

of their ability.

Next, Prime Minister General Soe Win presented souvenirs to technicians and Director U Myint Zaw of Hydro Electric Power Implementation Department. Afterwards, the Prime Minister and party inspected the water intake, laying of concrete and the use of heavy machinery in building the reservoir.

The Prime Minister and party inspected the progress in building of the main dam and a scale-model of Yeywa hydel power project and gave necessary instructions. Construction of No 2 of Hydro Electric





Prime Minister General Soe Win hears a report on implementation of Yeywa Hydel Power Project by Minister Col Zaw Min. — MNA

Prime Minister General Soe Win on inspection tours...

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At Shweli hall, Minister Col Zaw Min reported to the Prime Minister on data of Shweli hydel power project, implementation of project tasks in cooperation with foreign companies and progress in building of

Shweli hydel power plant. Next, Deputy Minister U Myo Myint briefed the Prime Minister on technology.

Afterwards, Minister Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint briefed the Prime Minister on arrangements for distribution of power

to Shweli, Mansan and Shwesayan via Bel Lin sub-power station by connecting 230-KV power lines.

In connection with the reports, the Prime Minister gave instructions, saying that that records on implementa-

tion of Shweli hydel power project are to be kept systematically. Construction technologies are to be used in similar projects.

A series of power projects are to be implemented along Shweli river.

Feasible study is to be conducted to carry out the tasks of hydel power project along Tarpain river. To meet the demand of power across the country, hydel power projects

are to be implemented.

Next, the Prime Minister presented souvenirs to Chairman of Yunnan United Power Development Co Ltd and Vice-Chairman Mr Feng Ke and viewed the project area.

Next, the Prime Minister and party oversaw construction tasks of 853-foot diversion tunnel.

The Prime Minister, his party, responsible personnel and Chinese technicians posed for a documentary photo at the construction site of the diversion

tunnel.

Construction No 2 of the Hydel Electric Power Implementation Department in cooperation with Chinese construction companies is implementing Shweli hydel power project on Shweli river near Mantat village, 17 miles to south-west of Namhkam.

Upon completion, Shweli hydel power project will generate 600 megawatts. Thirty eight per cent of the whole project has been completed so far.

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Wider public understanding...

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concerned and arrangements for accommodation of judges and contestants.

Two teams of Yangon Division and one each from Mandalay, Sagaing and Magway divisions totalling five teams will take part in the drama competition. In the marionette contest, five teams—two from Yangon Division and one each from Mandalay, Sagaing and Ayeyawady Divisions—will compete.

Arrangements have already been made for the convenience of the people living in the surrounding areas of Nay Pyi Taw and the rest of the nation to watch the competitions. Wider public understanding of the seven objectives of the performing arts competitions will ensure greater benefits for the nation and the people.

The respective



Culture Minister Maj-Gen Khin Aung Myint briefs on the coordination meeting of 14th Myanma Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions. — MNA

committees in cooperation with officials of the Yezin University will have to beautify and clean the compound of the venue.

Vice-Chairman (1) of the Leading Committee Minister for Culture Maj-Gen Khin Aung Myint urged officials to make comprehensive plans for

holding the competitions grander than the ones held in Yangon. Secretary Col Yan Naing Oo of the Nay Pyi Taw Command and officials of the subcommittees then took part in the discussions.

The commander gave the concluding remarks.

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Journal of Civil Service comes out

YANGON, 24 Sept — Civil Service Selection and Training Board has published Journal of Civil Service Volume 4 No 1.

The journal carries articles of CSSTB members U Aung Myint, U Hla Myint Oo, U Win Aung, U Soe Oo and U Nyi Tun, Supreme Court

Justice Dr Tin Aung Aye and Deputy Attorney-General Dr Tun Shin on wide knowledge for civil service affairs and management matters.

It is available at K 1,200 per copy at the bookstall of CSSTB in Nay Pyi Taw, Win Thuza Shops and Tharaphu lit-

erary house in Pinyinana, CSSTB on Strand Road in Yangon, the bookstall of Sarpay Beikman on Merchant Road in Yangon, the bookstall of News and Periodicals Enterprise on Theinbyu Road and Innwa Bookshop on Sule Pagoda Road. — MNA

PRC aids 10,000 tons of rice in opium elimination in border areas

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Sept — The government of the People's Republic of China pledged 10,000 tons of rice in aid to farmers in border areas who abandoned poppy cultivation.

Director-General of Department of Aids for Foreign Countries, Ministry of Trade of China Mr Wang Runsheng and U Than Swe, Director-General of the Progress of Border Areas and National Races Department under the Ministry of Progress of Border Areas and National Races

and Development Affairs signed a memorandum of understanding in Laukkai, Shan State (North) on 19 September.

At the ceremony, officials of PRC presented 500 tons of rice as the first phase of the aid to local farmers in Kokang region.

As part of China's five-million Yuan project to aid opium elimination tasks in Kokang region, Mr Wang Runsheng handed over anti-malarial drugs worth 500,000 Yuan to

U Than Swe and Dr Kyaw Zaw of Shan State (North) Health Department.

Under the China-Myanmar cooperation programme on elimination of narcotic drugs, 10,000 tons of rice will be distributed to five areas in Kokang region from 19 September to 31 October.

Officials of the two sides also held a coordination meeting to discuss matters on opium substitute cultivation on 19 September in Laukkai.

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Senior officials of Myanmar and China hold coordination meeting for poppy substitute crops cultivation at Yinphone Hotel, Laukkai, on 19 September. — PBANRDA

People are to stay vigilant and guard against internal and external destructive elements who are jealous of the development of the State

USDA Secretariat member on inspection tour of Magway Division

YANGON, 25 Sept — Secretariat member of the Union Solidarity and Development Association Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan met local people from the villages of Pakokku Township in Magway Division, Saw, Kyaukhtu and Htilin Townships in Gangaw District on 22 September and discussed regional development work.



Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan meeting with local people in Panhsan Village, Saw Township. — MNA

On 23 September, the minister attending the opening of rural self-reliant Duwin library in Kyi Village in Saw Township fulfilled the needs.

In meeting with the people from Kyi Village and nearby villages at the BEHS, the minister accepted 500 USDA membership

household items and stationery for the local people.

Afterwards, the minister visited Panhsan Village USDA office in Saw Township and attended a ceremony to open a turbine for power supply for the villages. About 80 houses will be supplied with electric power. He also attended

accepted 500 membership applications and presented cash awards to the outstanding students who gained distinctions in the 2005-2006 matric exam and donated clothing, household items and stationery for the local people. Then he paid homage and donated alms to the Sayadaw of

including agricultural facilities. Moreover, a network of transport facilities such as roads, railroads, bridges and airports has also been built. For improving the education of the youth, the State has also opened schools, colleges and universities, computer and technological colleges and universities. Each and every village has got a library as well. Other sectors like health, communications and power supply have seen significant progress.

As a result, the State is on the path to its development, said the minister. So, making full use of such facilities built

by the State, all the people on their part are to work hard for the development of agricultural, livestock breeding, education and health sectors. Only when the State and the people work together, will the nation develop in a short time.

However, the minister noted, the people are to stay vigilant and guard against internal and external destructive elements who are jealous of the development of the State.

In league with axe-handles from inside and outside the nation, a super power of the West

is attempting to put the nation under the domination of neocolonialism. Therefore, the people are to be aware of this danger.

If not, the country may suffer various kinds of hardship again with lack of progress like in the period from 1948 to 1962 when the parliamentary democracy was being practised.

So, he said, all the citizens are to guard against such dangers while striving for the development of the nation in cooperation with the government, the USDA and the Tatmadaw.

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Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan gives kitchen utensils, mosquito coil and soap to local people. — MNA

applications. Next, he presented cash awards to the outstanding students who gained distinctions in the 2005-2006 matric exam, and K 200,000 for the construction of a new school building of the village high school and donated clothing,

the opening of Moe-thaukkye library in the village and met with the local people at the village monastery.

After hearing a report by a local resident, the minister explained regional development tasks,

Panhsan Village monastery.

In meeting with local people, the minister said the government strove day in, day out for the development of the State by building all necessary infrastructures across the nation

Coord meeting on judicial matters held

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Sept—A coordination meeting on judicial matters of the Supreme Court, State and Division judges was held at the meeting hall of the Supreme Court here this morning.

Present on the occasion were Chief

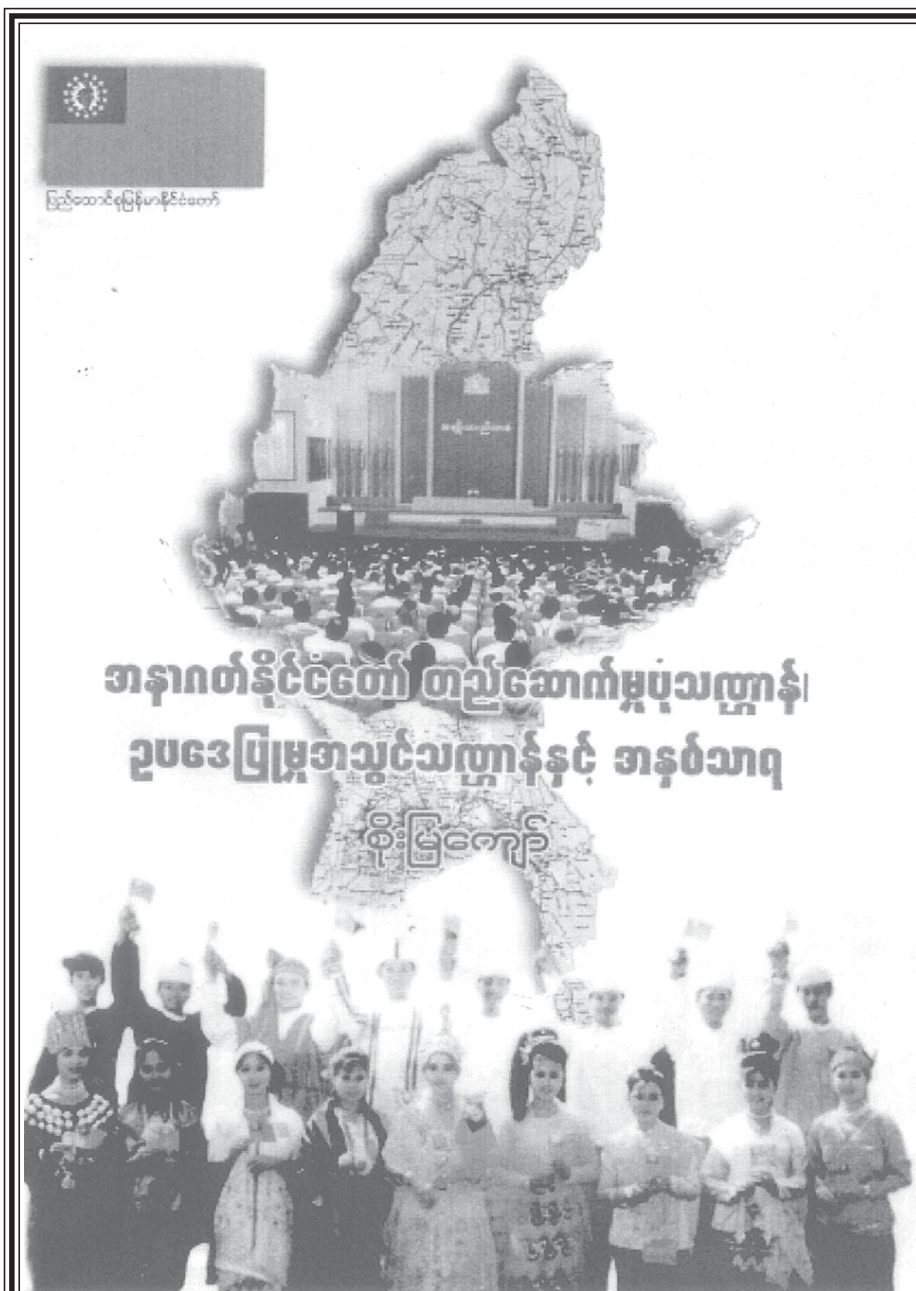
Justice U Aung Toe, Deputy Chief Justices, justices of Supreme Court, directors-general, directors and judges from the states and divisions.

First, Chief Justice U Aung Toe made an opening speech on the occasion. The judges from the states and divisions

briefed on judicial matters and functions of the courts.

Next, Deputy Chief Justices U Khin Maung Latt and U Thein Soe gave necessary instructions on judicial matters and functions of the court and Chief Justice U Aung Toe made concluding remarks.

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ASEAN seeks observer status in UN

MANILA, 25 Sept— The ten-member Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) is seeking a permanent observer status in the United Nations, the Philippines' top envoy to the UN said on Sunday.

Foreign ministers of the ASEAN endorsed the regional grouping to apply for the observer status in a meeting at the UN Headquarters on Friday, Philippines Permanent Representative to the UN Lauro Baja Jr told reporters in a statement from New York.

"The Philippines has been advocating observer status for ASEAN in the United Nations for a

number of years," Baja said. "It is gratifying that the approval of the ASEAN Foreign Ministers came during our chairmanship."

As a member of the General Committee of the UN, Baja said the Philippines will initiate the due process of application so that the status can be approved during the 61st Session of the UN General

Assembly.

ASEAN is the only regional organization in the world that still does not have observer status in the UN. Once granted the observer status, ASEAN will have a seat in all the meetings of the UN that the organization is interested in, according to Baja.

The Philippines is currently the president country of ASEAN.

MNA/Xinhua

Syrian President says US to blame for attack on its embassy

DAMASCUS, 25 Sept — Syrian President Bashar al-Assad has said that the US Middle East policies are to blame for a recent attack on the US Embassy in Damascus, the independent Syria-News website reported on Sunday.

"This seems to have been the background of the attack, a reaction to America's policy in Iraq, Palestine and Afghanistan," Assad was quoted as saying in an interview with a German magazine.

Four Syrians failed

an attempt to explode the embassy on September 12 as Syrian security forces killed three of them in a shootout. The fourth man later died of his wounds in a hospital.

Assad said that the four assailants were not

from a specific group but only al-Qaeda sympathizers from the suburbs of Damascus who called Osama bin Laden "the lion of Islam" according to the data recovered from their computers.

MNA/Xinhua

Japanese former chief Cabinet secretary appointed as ruling LDP's S-G

TOKYO, 25 Sept — Japanese former chief Cabinet secretary Hidenao Nakagawa was named on Monday as secretary-general of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) according to Kyodo News.

The post is the No 2 in the LDP lineup, next only to the newly elected party president and presumptive prime minister Shinzo Abe, who won the presidential race on September 20.

The 62-year-old

veteran politician has worked under the title of LDP Diet Affairs Committee chairman and LDP Policy Research Council chairman since 2002.

Before that, he was appointed chief Cabinet

secretary under then Prime Minister Yoshiro Mori in July 2000 and resigned the same year after being involved in scandals of extramarital affair and covert relations with a right-wing group, Kyodo said. — MNA/Xinhua



A man passes through a doorway in Havana, Cuba, swathed in smoke intended to kill the dengue fever-carrying mosquito. — INTERNET

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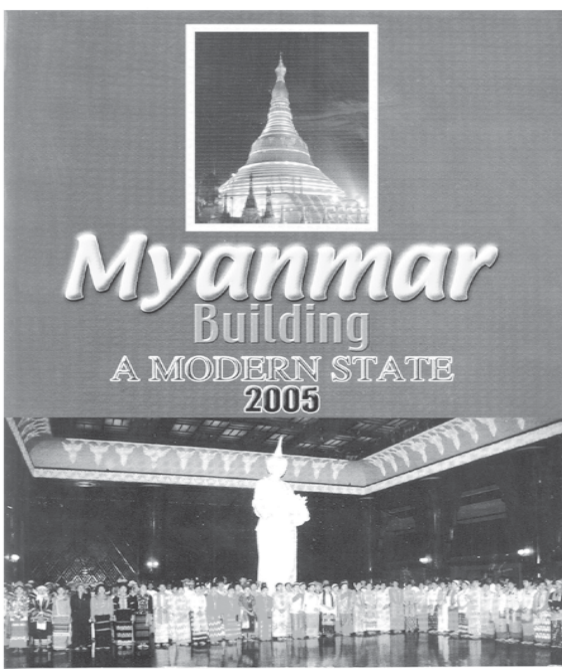
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Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm up to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the vessel.

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

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ရန်ကုန်မြို့တော်စည်ပင်သာယာရေးကော်မတီ**

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**IN LOVING MEMORY OF
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"Susu, you were the sweetest and unforgettable unseen angel on loan to us for just 7 years and 8 months. You left us broken hearted too soon on 26.9.2005; but the memory of you grows fonder and stronger with each passing week, month, and year."

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**"Forbes" says 400 richest
Americans all billionaires**

NEW YORK, 24 Sept — make *Forbes* magazine's annual list of the 400 richest Americans, the first time everyone on the list was worth at least three one billion US dollars.

The collective net worth of the country's wealthiest people rose 120 billion US dollars to 1.25 trillion US dollars.

Bill Gates, founder of software leader Microsoft Corp MSFT.O, topped the list as usual, with a 53-billion-US-dollar net worth, while his friend and bridge partner Warren Buffett, who runs diversified holding company Berkshire Hathaway Inc., was second with 46 billion US dollars

Gates and Buffett are also the world's richest people, *Forbes* has said. Mexican tycoon Carlos Slim ranked third with 30 billion US dollars, the magazine said in March.

Buffett in June agreed to donate 85 per cent of his fortune, valued at the time at 37 billion, US dollars to the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and four family charities.

Third place among Americans went to casino magnate Sheldon Adelson, the chief executive of Las Vegas Sands Corp., with 20.5 billion US dollars — up nine billion US dollars from a year earlier.

MNA/Reuters

**China feels pressure from
increasing Alzheimer's patients**

BEIJING, 24 Sept— The rising number of elderly people in China is forcing health officials to consider new ways to deal with an increasing number of Alzheimer's patients.

A six-year study has revealed that China has 3.1 million Alzheimer's patients, accounting for 5.9 per cent of its population above age 55.

The ratio of Alzheimer's patients in China

was similar to other countries, said Zhang Zhenxin, a professor with the Peking Union Medical College Hospital, who headed the study program.

The programme was carried in Beijing, Xi'an, Shanghai and Chengdu cities, and covered 34,807 people aged 55 and over. Zhang and his colleagues made the final calculation of Alzheimer's patients nationwide based on its

population structure in 1999.

China's aging population is expected to hit 174 million, or 12.78 per cent of its population, by 2010, compared with 143 million at present, according to estimates for the 11th Five-Year Plan period (2006-2010) issued by the China National Committee on Aging on Thursday.

MNA/Xinhua



A visitor talks with a robot Tongtong in the China (Jinan) International Information Technology Exposition, on 21 Sept, 2006.

XINHUA

**DNA test project
for Siberian tigers
short of funds**

HARBIN, 24 Sept — A project to test the DNA of captive Siberian tigers and determine whether the genes of the rare species are deteriorating is short of cash. More than 600 Siberian tigers (not including cubs under one year of age) at China Hengdaohezi Feline Raising Centre in Harbin, capital city of northeast China's Hei-longjiang Province, need to be tested, said Wang Ligang, general manager of the centre. The project will cost approximately two million yuan (253,165 US dollars).

The State Forestry Administration is providing funds of around one million yuan (126,582 US dollars) but there is still one million yuan missing.

Short of money, the centre has collected fur and blood samples from 400-odd tigers, but less than 200 have been through the DNA test, Wang said.

The DNA test project was kicked off in June 2001 with support from the State Forestry Administration. The project aims to avoid inbreeding among Siberian tigers and ensure hereditary diversity for the endangered species, according to Wang Ligang.—MNA/Xinhua

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SPORTS



Russia's Dmitry Tursunov returns the ball to Andy Roddick of the US during their Davis Cup World group semi-final tennis match in Moscow, on 24 Sept, 2006. —INTERNET

Barca, Valencia play out pulsating 1-1 draw

MADRID, 25 Sept— Champions Barcelona and pretenders to the throne Valencia lost their 100-per-cent records in the league as they fought out a pulsating 1-1 draw in a top-quality match at the Nou Camp on Sunday.

Valencia took the lead in the 17th minute when striker David Villa steered a low shot under keeper Victor Valdes after defender Miguel swept a perfect pass behind the Barca back four.

But the home side kept their composure and equalized at the start of the second half, substitute Andres Iniesta clipping home after Ronaldinho and Samuel Eto'o combined to prise open the Valencia defence.

Sevilla, the only other side with a perfect record, lost for the first time in any competition since last April when they went down 2-1 at Atletico Madrid.

Brazilian midfielder Renato gave Sevilla a deserved lead late in the first

half, but the match was turned on its head when they had centre-backs Julien Escude and Javi Navarro sent off in the second half.

Atletico laid siege to Sevilla's area and Maxi Rodriguez struck twice in the last five minutes to give the home side a dramatic win, his first a thundering 20-metre drive and his second a close-range effort after great work by Fernando Torres. —MNA/Reuters

Argentina into Davis Cup final after beating Australia

BUENOS AIRES, 25 Sept— Argentina first advanced into the final of the Davis Cup after they clinched an unassailable 3-0 lead over Australia on

Saturday. David Nalbandian and Agustin Calleri beat Paul Hanley and Wayne Arthurs 6-4, 6-4, 7-5 in Saturday's doubles match

to put Argentina into the final for the first time in 25 years. The Argentines have lost three semifinals in the previous four years.

Earlier on Saturday, Jose Acasuso had completed a five-set win over Lleyton Hewitt 1-6, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2, 6-1, which was stopped due to rain on Friday evening. David Nalbandian beat Mark Philippoussis 6-4, 6-3, 6-3 on Friday. —MNA/Xinhua

Panathinaikos warm up for UEFA Cup game with valuable win

ATHENS, 25 Sept— Panathinaikos warmed up for this week's UEFA Cup match against Metalurg Zaporizhya with a valuable 2-1 win over PAOK in the Greek Super League on Sunday.

Austrian international Andreas Ivanschitz put them ahead in the 66th minute before Dimitris Salpigidis doubled the lead with a penalty three minutes from time.

Peruvian Carlos Zagarra pulled one back but Panathinaikos, still under the control of caretaker coach Jasminko Veli, hung on for the points.

Panathinaikos, held 1-1 in the first leg of their UEFA Cup first round tie against Ukrainian side Metalurg, are three points behind Olympiakos Piraeus in second place.

Olimpiakos continued their impressive start to the season by beating AEK Athens in the derby on Saturday to make it five wins from five.

The only goal of that game came from AEK midfielder Emerson who sliced a clearance into his own net.

To compound his woe, the Brazilian failed to make the second half because of a groin injury that makes him a doubtful starter for AEK's Champions League game against Anderlecht on Tuesday.

MNA/Reuters

Inter go top after nervy 4-3 win over Chievo

ROME, 25 Sept— Inter Milan went top of Serie A on Sunday when they held off a late fight-back by Chievo Verona to win 4-3 at the San Siro Stadium.

The Italian champions seemed set for an easy victory after a brace by striker Hernan Crespo and a goal each by Dejan Stankovic and Walter Samuel put them 4-0 ahead, but three goals in the last 15 minutes by the visitors ensured a nervy finale.

The result gave Inter 10 points from four matches, one point more than AS Roma, who routed Parma 4-0. Palermo also have nine points, but the Sicilian club's hopes of maintaining their 100-per-cent winning start to the season were dashed when they missed an early penalty in a

surprise 2-0 defeat at Empoli.

Spurred on by their 1-0 midweek win over title rivals Roma, Inter wasted little time dismantling Chievo's defence.

Crespo, who scored the winner in Rome, caught them napping after just 11 minutes, breaking the off-side trap with a perfectly-timed run before angling a shot past visiting keeper Lorenzo Squizzi.

Chievo were pressed back into their half but hung on until the 58th minute when Samuel took advantage of a short punched clearance

by Squizzi to head the ball through a crowded area into the net.

Stankovic scored Inter's third with superb 25-metre drive into the top corner before Adriano launched a perfectly-weighted pass into the path of Crespo to beat Squizzi again in the 70th minute, this time with his right foot.

Sergio Pellissier pulled one back for Chievo from the penalty spot in the 76th minute after he tumbled over keeper Julio Cesar, but it seemed little more than a late consolation goal. — MNA/Reuters

Bayern move top after comeback win

BERLIN, 25 Sept— Bayern Munich climbed to the top of the German First Division table Saturday as they came from behind to beat Alemannia Aachen 2-1.

Sascha Dum's deflected strike gave Aachen an unexpected lead in the 38th minute at the Allianz Arena but Claudio Pizarro equalized within a minute and Mark van Bommel struck the winner 10 minutes after the break.

Hertha Berlin, who went into the fifth round of matches as leaders, could only manage a 1-1 draw away to Mainz. Schalke took advantage to join Bayern at the top with a 2-0 win at home to VfL Wolfsburg.

The big northern battle between Hamburg SV and Werder Bremen, two Champions League teams struggling for form, finished 1-1.

Tim Borowski put Bremen ahead in the 58th minute. Bastian Reinhardt headed an equalizer 11 minutes later and Hamburg held on despite having Mehdi Mahdavia sent off with 16 minutes to go.

MNA/Reuters

Nantes show some pride by beating Marseille

PARIS, 25 Sept— Strugglers Nantes showed some pride by beating in-form Olympique Marseille 2-1 in Ligue 1 on Sunday despite playing the last 25 minutes with 10 men.

Nantes, who recorded their first victory of the season and inflicted Marseille's first defeat, were 2-0 up when Argentine defender Mauro Cetto was sent off for insulting Marseille goalkeeper Cedric Carrasso in the 65th minute.

Westerners Nantes, playing their first match under new coach Georges Eo, who was appointed after Serge Le Dizet was sacked on Wednesday, move up to 15th in the 20-strong league.

Marseille stay second but are three points behind leaders Olympique Lyon, who top the standings with 19 points from seven games after a spectacular 4-1 win over Lille on Saturday.

Forward Dimitri Payet put Nantes ahead from inside the box after 38 minutes and defender Guillaume Norbert doubled the advantage in the 48th.

MNA/Reuters



India's Sania Mirza (L) and Liezel Huber of South Africa hold their trophies during the prize ceremony after winning their doubles match at the Kolkata Open tennis tournament in the eastern Indian city of Kolkata on 24 Sept, 2006. —INTERNET

Dutch teenager Vos bags road race world title

VIENNA, 25 Sept— Dutch teenager Marianne Vos prevailed in a bunch finish after 132.2-km in Salzburg to win the women's road title at the cycling world championships on Saturday.

The bunch finished in three hours 20 minutes 26 seconds as Vos took the gold before German Trixi Worrack with Nicole Cooke of Britain third.

"It was a hard race, I followed wheels for the last two laps and then the lead group broke away," said the 19-year-old

Vos. "I had no idea I could win so clearly in the bunch sprint, but when I saw there was nobody else there I knew I'd done it."

Vos is the Dutch national road-race champion, European championships winner and world cyclo-cross champion this season. —MNA/Xinhua

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China's seed-breeding satellite returns to earth

CHENGDU, 25 Sept — China's seed-breeding satellite, *Shijian-8*, successfully landed in Sichuan Province, southwest China, at 10:43 am Beijing Time on Sunday after a 15-day flight in space.

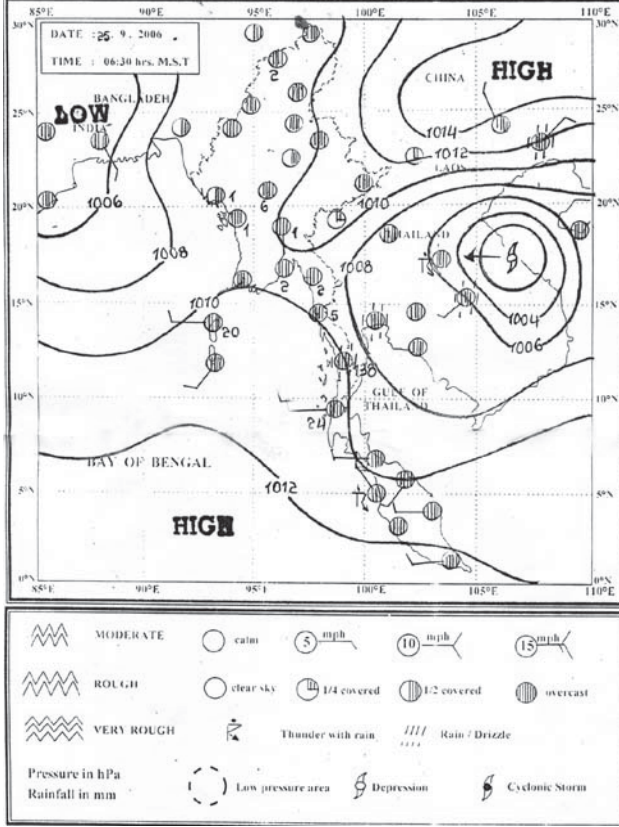
The recoverable satellite was launched from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre in the northwest China desert on 9 September. The satellite's return capsule was recovered in Suining, Sichuan Province. The orbital module will continue to orbit the earth and carry out more experiments until its battery gives up the ghost.

The satellite carried 215 kilogrammes of seeds of vegetables, fruits, grains and cotton, the largest payload of this kind since 1987. Scientists from the Space-breeding Centre of the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Science used the mission to carry out experiments aimed at discovering what happens to the germination and sprouting of plants when they are exposed to zero gravity.

After being exposed to cosmic radiation and zero gravity, some seeds may mutate and produce higher yields and improved quality when planted back on earth, scientists said.

MNA/Xinhua

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Monday, 25 September, 2006

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours MST: During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Kayin State, lower Sagaing and Magway Divisions, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Kachin, Chin and Rakhine States, upper Sagaing, Bago and Ayeyawady Divisions, scattered in Shan and Mon States and Divisions with isolated heavyfall in Mandalay and Taninthayi Divisions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (2.91) inches, Myeik (5.99) inches, Yamethin (3.98) inches, Namsam (2.01) inches and Pinyinana (0.83) inch.

Maximum temperature on 24-9-2006 was 88°F. Minimum temperature on 25-9-2006 was 78°F. Relative humidity at 09:30 hours MST on 25-9-2006 was (82%). Total sunshine hours on 24-9-2006 was (1.7) hours approx.

Rainfalls on 25-9-2006 were (0.55) inch at Mingaladon, (0.08) inch at Kaba-Aye and (1.30) inches at Central Yangon. Total rainfalls since 1-1-2006 were (91.61) inches at Mingaladon, (103.23) inches at Kaba-Aye and (106.22) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (12) mph from Northwest at (11:15) hours MST on 24-9-2006.

Bay inference: Weather is partly cloudy in the North Bay and monsoon is generally moderate in the Andaman Sea and elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Special Feature: According to the observations at (06:30) hrs MST today, the tropical depression over South China Sea is crossing Vietnam Coast and it is forecast to move westerly direction.

Forecast valid until evening of 26-9-2006: Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Kachin and Chin States, scattered in Rakhine States, Sagaing, Mandalay and Magway Divisions, fairly widespread in Ayeyawady, Yangon and Bago Divisions and widespread in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Increase of rain are likely in Eastern and Southern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring areas for 26-9-2006: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring areas for 26-9-2006: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring areas for 26-9-2006: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

"Special Weather News"

(Issued at 10:30 hrs MST on 25-9-2006)

According to the observation at (06:30) hrs MST today, the tropical depression over South China Sea is crossing Vietnam Coast and it is forecast to move westerly direction.

Under the influence of the depression rain or thundershowers are likely to be scattered in the Eastern, Central, Deltaic and Southern parts of Myanmar and squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at time off and along Myanmar Coast within next (48) hours commencing this morning, today.



Tuesday, 26 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
- 7:50 am
5. ကဗျာပန်းဥယျာဉ်
- 8:00 am
6. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ
- 8:10 am
7. Song of yesteryear
- 8:20 am
8. မင်းလှရေလှောင်တံခံ

- 8:25 am
9. အရေးပြိုင်ပွဲ
- 8:30 am
10. International news
- 8:45 am
11. Let's Go
- 4:00 pm
1. Martial song
- 4:15 pm
2. Songs to uphold National Spirit
- 4:30 pm
3. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ - ဒုတိယနှစ် (သတ္တဗေဒ အထူးပြု) (သတ္တဗေဒ)
- 4:45 pm
4. Dance of national races
- 5:00 pm
5. ခံစားနားဆင်တေးဇာတ်ဝင်
- 5:10 pm
6. "အရေးကြီးလို့ပါ" (ခင်လှိုင်၊ ခင်နွဲ့နွဲ့မူ) (ဒါရိုက်တာ- ခင်နွဲ့နွဲ့မူ)
- 5:15 pm
7. ၂၀၀၆ ခုနှစ် (၁၄) ကြိမ်မြောက် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှု အဆို၊ အက၊ အရေး၊ အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

- ဝင်များ လေ့လာနိုင်ကြရန် (မဟာဂီတ) (ဝါသနာရှင် (ဒုတိယတန်း) အဆင့်) (အမျိုးသား၊ အမျိုးသမီး)
- 5:30 pm
8. Sing and enjoy
- 6:00 pm
9. Evening news
- 6:30 pm
10. Weather report
- 6:35 pm
11. နိုင်ငံခြားကာတွန်းဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "တောတွင်းသားငယ်လေး" (အပိုင်း-၁၂)
- 6:50 pm
12. ကြွယ်ပွင့်များရဲ့ရင်ခုန်သံ
- 7:05 pm
13. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ချစ်ခြင်းနှင့်အတူ" (အပိုင်း-၄)
- 8:00 pm
14. News
- 15. International news
- 16. Weather report
- 17. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "စပိုင်ချစ်သူ" (အပိုင်း-၈)
- 18. The next day's programme



Tuesday, 26 September
Tune in today

- 8:30 am Brief news
- 8:35 am Music:
-Kiss
... Vengaboys
- 8:40 am Perspectives
- 8:45 am Music:
-Cartoons Heroes
... Aqua
-Questions
... Jennifer Paige
- 8:50 am National news / Slogan
- 9:00 am Music:
-Sweet like chocolate
... Shank
- 9:05 am International news
- 9:10 am Music:
-Fool again
... Westlife
- 1:30 pm News / Slogan
- 1:40 pm Lunch time music
-I believe
... Stephan Gatly
-Daddy's girl
... Emilia
-Kissing you
... Faith Evans
-How could you call her
... Shanna Baby
- 9:00pm English Speaking course level (I) Unit (27)
- 9:10 pm Article
- 9:20pm Weekly sport reel
- 9:30pm Music for your listening pleasure
-My heart keeps following you
The serendipity Singer
-Gina
... John Mathis
-Memories and souvenirs
... Eydye Gorme
-The lonely teen
... John D Louder
Milk
-This my song
Petula Chark
- 9:45 pm News / Slogan
- 10:00 pm PEL

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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

Wider public understanding of performing arts competition objectives ensures greater benefits for nation, people

Leading Committee, Work Committees, Sub-committees of Performing Arts Competitions meet

NAY PYI TAW 25 Sept — The coordination meeting of Leading Committee, Work Committee and Sub-committees of the 14th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions was held at the Ministry of Culture here this afternoon, with an address by Chairman of the Leading Committee Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Brig-Gen Wai Lwin.

Also present were Vice-Chairman of the Leading Committee Chairman of Work Committee Minister for Culture Maj-Gen Khin Aung Myint, the deputy ministers and officials of the work committees and sub-committees.

In his address, Commander Brig-Gen Wai Lwin said the 14th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts

Commander Brig-Gen Wai Lwin delivers an address at the coordination meeting of Leading Committee and Work Committee of 14th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions.

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Competitions will be held in Nay Pyi Taw for the first time and efforts are

being made for success of the performing arts competitions by officials concerned.

The meetings of various committees made decisions on management and laid down directives and the respective committees are carrying out their tasks.

The commander spoke at length on completion of the tasks in time, supervision, financial matters, proper spending, cooperation among the ministries and departments (See page 9)

Two teams of Yangon Division and one each from Mandalay, Sagaing and Magway divisions totalling five teams will take part in the drama competition. In the marionette contest, five teams — two from Yangon Division and one each from Mandalay, Sagaing and Ayeyawady divisions — will compete.

Three quit Maubin Township NLD

Lose trust in NLD party and its leaders

YANGON, 25 Sept — Three members of Maubin Township National League for Democracy of Ayeyawady Division — U Saw Maung, U Tin Sein and U Myint Lwin — quit the party of their own accord on 15 September.

They sent the letters of resignation to the NLD Headquarters and local authorities. In their letter sent to Maubin Township Multiparty Democ-

racy General Election Sub-committee they said that NLD party did not engage in the party politics, the party was heading to commit acts harmful to the State and its people, and they had lost faith and trust in NLD and party leaders. That is why they resigned from the party of their own accord, they said.

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