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Commander, Secretariat Member attend opening ceremony of new school building in Kyaikto

Yangon, 28 Sept — Chairman of Mon State Peace and Development Council Commander of South-East Command Brig-Gen Thet Naing Win together with Secretariat Member of Union Solidarity and Deve-lopment Association Minister for Mines Brig-Gen Ohn Myint attended the opening ceremony on 23 September of newly-built school building of No 1 Basic Education High School in Kyaikto hailing the National Convention.

USDA Secretariat Member Minister Brig-

Gen Ohn Myint, Deputy Director Daw Khin Saw Lin of No (1) Basic Education Department and Chairman of School Board of Trustees U Myint Lwin formally opened the new school building. Commander Brig-Gen Thet Naing Win pressed the button to open the Myat Yadana new school building. The commander, the secretariat member and guests viewed round the new school building.

The commander and the secretariat member made addresses at the ceremony. School Board of Trustees Chairman U Myint Lwin explained the purpose of constructing the new school building and handed over documents related to the building to Deputy Director Daw Khin Saw Lin.

The cash donation ceremony followed. Officials accepted K 15.1 mildonated wellwishers including the commander, the secretariat member and Lt-Col Kyaw Swe and family.

Chairperson of Mon State Maternal and Child Welfare Supervisory Committee Daw Myint Myint Soe presented K 100,000 and stationery for Cetana Night School of Kyaikto BEHS No 1, K 100,000, one generator and stationery for Cetana Night School Theinzayet BEHS through officials concerned.

Next, townselder U San Mya expressed words of thanks, and the ceremony came to an end. Myat Yadana two-storey new school building is 130 feet long and 30 feet wide. It cost K 29.1 million.

Four political objectives

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

Four economic objectives

- Development of agriculture as the base and allround 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

Myaykhetaung Dam contributes to extended cultivation of paddy in Pakokku District by irrigating 500 acres of farmland

NAY PYI TAW, 28 Sept — A ceremony to inaugurate Myaykhetaung Dam built by Irrigation Department in Yezagyo Township of Pakokku District, was held at the pandal near the dam on 26 September.

Speaking on the occasion, Chairman of Magway Division Peace and Development Council Col Phone Maw Shwe said that Myaykhetaung Dam is the 189th irrigation facility of its kind, and it is one of the fruits to contribute to economic growth of the people. Magway Divi-sion, the edible oil bowl of the State, enjoys 429 per cent edible oil sufficiency. However, the division cent rice sufficiency. Fur- people live has only 31

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Therefore, Myaykhetaung Dam opened

extended cultivation of paddy in Pakokku District by irrigating

500 acres of farm-

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Chairman of Magway Division Peace and Development Council Col Phone Maw Shwe unveils stone plaque of Myaykhetaung Dam in Magway. — AGRICULTURE & IRRIGATION

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

PERSPECTIVES

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Extend mixed and multiple cropping through systematic use of dam water

The central part of Myanmar being a dry and arid zone, water for drinking as well as for agricultural purposes was scarce there in the past. Nowadays, however, there is sufficient supply of water for both purposes as the government has been building dams and river water pumping stations wherever possible. The result is that the cultivated acreage has increased. Moreover, soil condition has improved and the environment become lush and green.

Clusters of small dams and river water pumping stations are being constructed in the Pakokku region in Magway Division and, on their completion, the irrigated acreage increase further. Magway Division is a suitable region for growing edible oil crops, it can produce enough edible oil. However, in this agricultural season, more than 100,000 acres have been put under monsoon paddy and plans are under way to grow summer paddy on more than 20,000 acres.

It is with the object of ensuring sufficient water supply, dams are being constructed. The Myaykhetaung Dam opened in Pakokku District in Magway Division on 26 September is the 189th irrigation facility of the nation. In the past, only one crop, green gram and the like, could be grown on 350 acres. But now due to the emergence of the new dam, monsoon paddy can be cultivated as a first crop on more than 300 acres and chick peas as another crop on about 200 acres.

As the government is building dams all over the nation, the environment of various regions has become lush and green and the irrigated acreage has been on the increase. The onus is only on the farmers to extend mixed and multiple cropping through systematic use of dam water to ensure self-sufficiency in rice for their respective regions.

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People's Desire

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

Coordination meeting on trade held

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Sept — A coordination meeting on trade was held at the Ministry of Commerce, here, yesterday.

Present were Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung, Minister for Commerce Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein, Minister for Forestry Brig-Gen Thein Aung, Minister for Home Affairs Maj-Gen Maung Oo, Minister for Hotels and Tourism Maj-Gen Soe Naing, Minister for Transport Brig-Gen Thein Swe, Minister for Livestock and Fisheries Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein, Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Lun Thi, Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint, the deputy ministers of the Ministry of Industry-2, Ministry of Commerce and Ministry of Finance and Revenue, President of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry, CEC members and officials.

Minister U Aung Thaung briefed on measures undertaken for exporters and importers and departments concerned, cooperation for the use of bio-fuel.

Minister Maj-Gen Maung Oo, Deputy Minister for Commerce Brig-Gen Aung Tun, Deputy Minister for Industry-2 Lt-Col Khin Maung Kyaw and Deputy Minister for Finance and Revenue Col Hla Thein Swe reported on work done.

President of UMFCCI and officials of other associations reported on exports and imports, investment and tax. Ministers U Aung Thaung and Maj-Gen Thein Swe took part in the discussions.

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Minister Maj-Gen Hla Tun addresses the 61st Annual Meeting of IMF & World Bank held in Singapore on 20-9-2006. — (F & R)

(News reported)

MYANMAR GAZETTE

Yangon, 28 Sept — The State Peace and Development Council has confirmed the following persons as heads of service organizations shown against each on expiry of the one-year probationary period.

Name Appointment

(a) U Myat Maw Managing Director

Myanma Economic Bank Ministry of Finance and

Revenue

(b) U Hsan Tun Director-General

Internal Revenue Department

Ministry of Finance and

Revenue

(c) U Kyaw Htay Director-General

Pension Department Ministry of Finance and

Revenue

The State Peace and Development Council has appointed the following persons as heads of service organizations shown against each on probation from the date they assume charge of their duties.

Name Appointment

(a) Dr Myint Thaung Rector

Pro-Rector Yezin University of

Yezin University Agriculture

of Agriculture Ministry of Agriculture &

Ministry of Agri- Irrigation

culture & Irrigation

(b) U Tin Aung Managing Director
Chief Engineer Electric Power Supply

Myanma Electric Enterprise

Power Enterprise Ministry of Electric

Ministry of Electric Power No 2

Power No 2



Prizes presented to winners in AIDS Quiz

Yangon, 27 Sept — The Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Information and UNICEF organized the AIDS Quiz at the radio programme of Myanma Radio and Television this morning.

The first prize went to Ma Wint Yi Mon (Mathematics honours student of Yangon East University, the second prize to Maung Myo Thu Aung (Thongwa Township), the third prize to Ma Thazin Oo (Dawbon Township) and consolation prize to Maung Aung Thu (Maubin Township). Officials presented prizes to the

winners.

The AIDS Quiz will be broadcast at the radio programme at 5 pm on Saturday and 4 pm on Sunday in the last week of every month. Those wishing to take part in the quiz may enlist at Central Health Educative Centre of the Health Department at No-44, Theinbyu Street, Tel: 379050 and Office of AIDS Control Project, Nos 87,89 and 91 on Pansodan Street, Tel: 246704 and 378650.

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China hopes to develop bilateral ties with Japan

Beijing, 27 Sept— China said on Tuesday that it hopes Japan's new leader will make efforts to improve and develop bilateral relations.

Chinese Foreign Ministry Spokesman Qin Gang made the remarks at a regular Press conference after Shinzo Abe was elected Prime Minister of Japan on Tues-

"We hope Japan's new leadership will make constructive efforts to promote the improvement and development of China-Japan relations," said Qin, adding China hopes Shinzo Abe will match his words with action.

Abe pledged to improve relations with its Asian neighbours in his policy platform during the campaign for the Japanese ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) president.

Qin also called on Japan's new government, all political parties and circles to make efforts to improve bilateral relations, adding China will also make joint efforts to improve and develop bilateral relations with Japan.

> Qin, depicting

A model

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2006.

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China-Japan ties as the "most important bilateral relations" for not only China but also Japan, stressed the Chinese Government always attaches high importance on the development of bilateral, good-neighbourly friendship of cooperation.

MNA/Xinhua



Midnight Red Barbie doll sets world auction record

London, 27 Sept— Barbie in Midnight Red, dating from 1965, sold for a world record 9,000 pounds (17,000 US dollars) on Tuesday as collectors from around the world gathered to bid for a piece of a unique private collection of 4,000 Barbie family dolls.

The doll, which had been priced at up to 600 pounds, became the most expensive Barbie ever to be sold at auction, according to Christie's who ran the sale. The previous auction record was 2,800 pounds also set at Christie's in 1999.

"It was very competitive," said a Christie's spokeswoman. "People were taking this very seriously. We had interest from all four corners of the world." The doll was bought by a woman in the sale room on behalf of an anonymous collector.

The same woman also

paid 7,200 pounds for Gala Abend Barbie — a high colour doll produced for the Japanese market —

and 5,040 pounds for Barbie in Midnight Pink, both dating from 1965.

MNA/Reuters



In this photo released by China's Xinhua News Agency, Chinese President Hu Jintao, centre, who is also chairman of China's Central Military Commission, applauds upon the song and dance performance given by the Alexandrov Ensemble of the Russian armed forces at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, capital of China, on 27 Sept, 2006. —XINHUA

Thai envoy promises UN quick return to democracy

United Nations, 28 Sept—The coup in Thailand will not affect its foreign policy, a Thai diplomat assured world governments on Wednesday, saying a new Constitution and elected government would be in place within a year.

"With the resilience of the Thai society, you can be assured that Thailand will emerge as a stronger and more vibrant democracy. We will ensure a swift return to democracy with a definite timeline,' Thailand's Ambassador to the United Nations, Khunying Laohaphan, told the UN General Assembly.

An interim Constitution, to be put in place in the coming days, would ensure full civil liberties and human rights, she said, adding that a new civilian government also would be in place "within the coming days".—MNA/Reuters

Thailand's CDRM now calls itself as **CDR**

UNITED NATION, 28 Sept—Thailand's ruling military group which staged the 19 Sept coup has dropped the part of its English title that could be translated as suggesting a connection to the monarchy.

The Council for Democratic Reform under Constitutional Monarchy (CDRM) will now be known as the Council for Democratic Reform, or CDR, the ruling military group said in a clarification on its website.

It said the previous English title "had led to misunderstanding and false interpretation in some countries and for some foreign media on the role of the monarchy."

MNA/Xinhua

Paris Hilton charged in LA with drunk driving

Los Angeles, 27 Sept—Celebrity heiress Paris Hilton was charged on Tuesday with drunk driving, stemming from an arrest earlier this month she



Paris Hilton poses for photographers in Munich, on 25 Sept, 2006.—Internet

blamed on her rush to get a late-night burger. Hilton, 25, was charged with two misdemeanor counts. Driving under the influence of alcohol and driving with a blood-alcohol level above the legal limit of .08, Los Angeles City Attorney's spokesman Frank Mateljan said.

An initial court appearance was set for Thursday, but Hilton would not be required to attend, he said.

The charges carry a maximum penalty of six months in county jail and \$1,000 fine, but Mateljan said most first offenders were given probation and ordered to attend alcohol counselling.

Hilton was pulled over about 1 am on 7 September by police who said she was driving erratically.

The star of reality show "The Simple Life" subsequently told a Los Angeles radio station the incident had been blown out of proportion but she may have been speeding to satisfy her craving for a hamburger.

MNA/Reuters

Gas leak sickens dozens in New Jersey

New York, 27 Sept— A worker dismantling a pressurized tank of an unknown substance damaged the container, releasing a cloud of gas that sickened dozens of people in Elizabeth, New Jersey Tuesday afternoon, authorities said.

Between 40 and 50 people had been reportedly decontaminated near the site of the accident near a IKEA store, the city fire director Onofirio Vitullo said. He said he did not think any of the injuries were life threatening, but noted it was still unclear how many of those being decontaminated might also

require medical treatment.

At least four people were taken to area hospitals for exposure to the substance, but their identity remained unknown, Vitullo said.

Police sealed off most of the road leading to and from the area, an industrial section near Port Elizabeth. Police, fire and rescue agencies were on the scene and the state Department of Environmental Protection was to respond to determine if the cloud posed a hazard outside the immediate area, but Vitullo said that did not appear to be the case. MNA/Xinhua

Vietnam to reap bigger vegetable, fruit export earnings

Hanoi, 27 Sept — Vietnam is expected to post vegetable and fruit export revenues of 280 million US dollars in 2006, up nearly 19.7 per cent over 2005, according to a local trade agency Tuesday.

The country is boosting export of the products to markets such as China, Russia and Japan, the Trade Information Centre under the Trade Ministry said, noting that it is expanding vegetable and fruit cultivation areas, and encouraging relevant factories, traders and exporters to renovate technologies and pay more attention to such issues as quality and packaging.

Vietnam has targeted 550,000 hectares of vegetables, 750,000 hectares of orchards, and 10,000 hectares of flowers by 2010, which are expected to annually turn out 11 million tons of

vegetables, nine million tons of fruits and 3.5 billion of flower sprigs, according to the country's Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development.

The Vietnamese Trade Ministry has planned to establish a trading centre with highcapacity freezing facilities for exporting fresh fruits by air and sea in southern Ho Chi Minh City. Some similar centres may be established in other cities and provinces.

Vietnam earned 172

million dollars from exporting fruits and vegetables in the first eight months of this year, posting a year-on-year rise of 10.1 per cent, according to the country's General Statistics Office.

MNA/Xinhua

Joint Belgian-German operation seizes five tons of hashish

Berlin, 27 Sept—A joint German and Belgian police investigation has led to the seizure of some five tons of marijuana resin sent from Pakistan this month alone, Germany's BKA federal police said on Tuesday.

They said 2.4 tons of hashish — resin derived from the marijuana plant was confiscated over a week ago by Belgian police at Antwerp Airport. Police seized another 2.5 tons earlier in September in Belgium.

"After around 2.5 tons of hashish were seized on 4 September on the international organized Belgian side of the border with Germany and the Netherlands, there was a second blow dealt to

prepare to repair a

section of the track

damaged when a truck

collided into a freight

train in Kunming,

southwest China's

Yunnan Province, on

27 Sept, 2006. The

accident injured one

person, local media

reported.

Internet

drug trafficking on 19 September," a BKA statement said. MNA/Reuters Railway workers



Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen (L) and his Vietnamese counterpart Nguyen Tan Dung attended the ceremony held at the border crossing of Bavet, 167 kilometres east of the Cambodian capital Phnom Penh, on 27 Sept, 2006.— XINHUA

Billionaire spends millions mapping mouse brains

Washington, 27 Sept—So you're a billionaire and you've bought a couple of sports teams, launched an amateur space project and spent \$800 million on good causes — what do you do with the change?

Microsoft Corp co-founder Paul Allen decided to make a genetic atlas of the mouse brain.

The atlas, begun in 2002 with \$100 million from Allen's fortune, was declared finished on Tuesday, with finetuned information on 3,000 active genes - although scientists have been using it regularly for more than a year.

Allen said working with computers all his life made him appreciate the complexities of the brain. "You realize that computers take a very simplistic approach to computing things," Allen told Reuters in an interview.

"Ever since I grew up in Seattle as a kid, I was fascinated by science," he added. So he found a group of scientists and asked them what he should do with some of his money. The result — the first project of the Allen Institute for Brain Science — a 3-D reference atlas of the genes that are active in the mouse brain.

Allen, who left Microsoft in 1983 and has an estimated fortune of \$16 billion, makes the map freely available online at http://www.alleninstitute.org.

Tropical storm "Xangsane" threatens central **Philippines**

Manila, 27 Sept — Tropical storm Xangsane strengthened Tuesday morning, prompting the state weather bureau to raise public storm warning signal over areas in central Philippines.

As of 10:00 am Tuesday, the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA) placed Xangsane at 220 kilometres east northeast of Borongan, Eastern Samar and travelling northwest at 7 kilometres per hour.

The storm will veer westward before making landfall over Aurora Province on Thursday.— MNA/Xinhua



Storm death toll rises to 109 in Bangladesh

Dнака, 27 **Sept** — The death toll in the Bay of Bengal tragedy rose 109 with five more bodies recovered on Tuesday, eight days after hundreds of fishing-boats capsized on high seas amid storms on 19 September night.

The five bodies were spotted in canals and rivers alongside Bangladesh's southwestern Sundarbans, Bangladeshi news agency *UNB* reported Tuesday.

Meanwhile, Coast Guard and the Forest Department rescued seven fishermen alive on Tuesday. According to UNB, many decomposed bodies of the ill-fated victims of the storms are

still floating in the deep bay and rivers in southern Bangladesh.

Navy, Coast Guard and Forest Department have strengthened the rescue operation to find out anyone alive.

MNA/Xinhua

A donkey pulls a cart during the annual donkey races in the Umbrian village of Gualdo Tadino, Italy on 24 Sept, 2006.

XINHUA



Indonesia to spend 13t rupiah for biofuel development

JAKARTA, 27 Sept—The Indonesian Government is setting aside a fund of 13 trillion rupiah (1.4 billion US dollars) and nearly 500,000 hectares of land for the development of the country's fledgling biofuel industry next year, a newspaper said on Tuesday.

about 10 trillion rupiah,

Most of the fund, | will go to the development of infrastructure-



Actress Kate Beckinsale poses for the photographers prior to the UK premiere of her new film 'Click', in central London, on 27 Sept, 2006.—Internet

such as irrigation systems and access roads — in areas earmarked for biofuel plantations.

The government has claimed its lenders were prepared to channel up to 20 trillion rupiah (2.2 billion dollars) in loans to the industry, reported The Jakarta Post, quoting an official in charge of biofuel development.

Regarding biofuel plantations, the government had so far secured commitments from eight private-sector firms for the planting of close to half a million hectares with oil palm and jatropha (the fruits of which can processed into biodiesel), as well as sugarcane and cassava (both of which can be processed into ethanol), said Alhilal Hamdi, the head of the government's biofuel development committee.

The government itself will plant nearly 2,000 hectares, primarily as part of pilot and research projects, including 140 hectares under the Agriculture Ministry and 650 hectares by the Research and Technology Ministry's Technology Assessment and Application Agency (BPPT).

Alhilal had previously said that 6.5 million hectares of idle land would be allocated to investors interested in planting biofuel crops.

MNA/Xinhua



A contestant from the Pokot tribe in Kenya partakes in the Miss Keiyo Peace Queen 2006, to mark this year's day of peace in Turkwel, 650km (406 miles) west of the Kenyan capital Nairobi, on 23 Sept, 2006. The pageant is expected to bring together the warring communities from Pokot, Turkana, Marakwet and Karamoja from Uganda. —Internet

Cabinet lineup of Japan's new PM Shinzo Abe

Tokyo, 27 Sept—The following is the lineup of Japanese new Prime Minister Shinzo Abe's Cabinet announced on Tuesday afternoon by newly-appointed Chief Cabinet Secretary Yasuhisa Shiozaki at a Press conference held in the Premier's official residence (tabulated under position, name and age):

Prime Minister Shinzo Abe 52 Chief Cabinet Secretary Yasuhisa Shiozaki 55

Foreign Minister Taro Aso 66 Economy, Trade and Industry Minister Akira Amari 57

Land, Infrastructure and Transport Minister Tetsuzo Fuyushiba 70 Health, Labour and Welfare Minister

Hakuo Yanagisawa 71

Defence Agency Director General Fumio Kyuma 65

Justice Minister Jinen Nagase 62 Environment Minister Masatoshi Wakabayashi 72

Finance Minister Koji Omi 73

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Minister Toshikatsu Matsuoka 61

Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology Minister Bummei Ibuki 68

Internal Affairs and Communications Minister Yoshihide Suga 57

National Public Safety Commission Chairman Kensei Mizote 64

State Minister in charge of Okinawa and Northern Territories, science and technology policy, innovation, declining birthrate issues, gender

State Minister in charge of financial services and "second chances" Yuji Yamamoto 54

State Minister in charge of economic and fiscal policy Hiroko Ota 52

State Minister in charge of regulatory reform, administrative reform, publicservant system reform, rural revitalization and administrative unit reorganization Genichiro Sata 53.

MNA/Xinhua

Syria says US policies proven wrong in Arab world

United Nations, 27 | price of these failed Sept—The US policies toward the Arab countries were proven wrong because they were a distorted reflection of the actual will of the Arab people, Syrian Foreign Minister Walid Al-Moualem told the UN General Assembly Tuesday.

US officials are interpreting the actions of the people of the Middle East in a distorted manner in a bid to justify their policies to the detriment of all concerned, he said.

He said the Americans were also the "victims of policies that were proven wrong in the Arab and other regions of the world."

"Many innocent people in places so distant from the United States America have policies," he said.

"Tragically, we all end up paying the price when the decision-makers in Washington believe that they know better, and are in a better position to understand and grasp the

needs and circumstances of the Arabs," said the Foreign Minister. "They diagnose the ambitions and aspirations of the Arab individual in a manner that is tailored to their own vision."

MNA/Xinhua

Suicide attack kills 18 in S Afghanistan

Kabul, 27 Sept— A suicide bombing killed 18 persons including three policemen in the southern Helmand Province of Afghanistan on Tuesday, provincial police chief Mohammad Nabi Mullahkhil said.

"The bomber strapped explosive materials on his body and blew himself up near the Governor's House in the provincial capital Lashkar Gah, killing three policemen and 15 civilians," Mullahkhil told Xinhua.

Eighteen others including women and children were wounded in the explosion, he added. Close to the site's incident are a mosque and a police checkpoint as well as a highway where Afghan commuters and NATO troops cross daily. "The man exploded himself when police wanted to check him, causing the casualties," unfortunately paid the | Mullahkhil said. — MNA/Xinhua



Miss Martinique Stephanie Florence Colosse (L) smiles during a visit by Miss World contestants to the Telimena art gallery in Warsaw on 24 Sept, 2006. INTERNET



The Edvard Munch masterpieces 'The Scream', left, and 'Madonna', right, which were stolen by masked gunmen in a daylight raid on the Oslo-based Munch Museum, in August, 2004, and recovered by the police on 31 August this year, are displayed, on 26 Sept, the day before the Munch Museum will exhibit the two paintings, in their present condition. As the result of the theft, 'The Scream' suffered damage to one corner, and 'Madonna' had two roughly 2.5 centimetres (1 inch) rips in its canvas. The museum said both could be repaired. —Internet

Singapore's manufacturing output up 5.5% in August

SINGAPORE, 27 Sept—Singapore's manufacturing output grew by 5.5 per cent in August this year over the same month of last year.

According to a statement by the Singapore Economic Development Board (EDB) on Tuesday, compared with July, the city state's manufacturing output fell 11.0 per cent in August while for the first eight months of this year, it was up 15.0 per cent from a year earlier.

All clusters except the biomedical manufacturing cluster expanded their output. Excluding the biomedical manufacturcluster, manufacturing output recorded a growth of 11.5 per cent. The three-month moving average index for total manufacturing rose 15.9 per cent in August, said the Economic Development Board.

In August, the transport engineering sector grew by 28.3 per cent while the precision engineering cluster grew by 15.9 per cent.

The output of the electronics cluster and the chemicals cluster rose by 7.2 per cent and 0.7 per cent respectively in

August over the previous year, and that of the general manufacturing industries increased by 8.4 per cent in the eighth month of this year.

MNA/Xinhua

Vietnam to establish technology transfer fund

Hanoi, 27 Sept— Vietnam is expected to pass, next month, a law on technology transfer, under which a national fund for supporting transfer of new technologies will be formed soon, local newspaper Vietnam News reported on Tuesday.

The future fund, to serve as a catalyst for local enterprises to renovate their use of technology in order to improve business competitiveness, will be sourced mainly from the state budget, in accordance with the State Budget Law, which stipulates that 2 per cent of national gross domestic product (GDP) are allocated to science and technology development every year.

Besides, all organizations and individuals inside and outside Vietnam are encouraged to contribute to the fund.

MNA/Xinhua

China donates \$15,000 to AKCC in Cambodia

Phnom Penh, 27 Sept—The Chinese Embassy to Cambodia here on Tuesday donated 15,000 US dollars to the Association of Khmer Chinese in Cambodia (AKCC) who was entrusted to allocate the fund to help more than 70 primary and junior schools in the kingdom to develop their Chinese language courses.

From 2000 to now, the embassy altogether provided some 150,000 US dollars for such schools to have better teachers and academic conditions, said Chinese Ambassador Zhang Jinfeng. The embassy expected that more people and organizations follow suit to spare their support for these schools which were shouldered with the responsibility to spread Chinese language to the younger generation of the close neighbour of China, she added.

Meanwhile, AKCC director Du deputy Ruitong expressed

appreciation for the donation, saying that the development of the Chinese-teaching schools in Cambodia had gained speed in recent years thanks to the continuous support from the Chinese Government.

Except for the donation, the Chinese Government also invited in the past five years more than 100 Cambodians who taught Chinese in these schools to China to accept professional training, which greatly promoted the Chineseteaching level of their schools, he added.

MNA/Xinhua

A Royal Bengal tiger watches from its enclosure at South Khairbari nature 2006. India and China must share intelligence and strengthen their

park, about 99 miles from the northeastern Indian city of Siliguri, on 14 Sept, enforcement agencies to crack down on organized criminal gangs that illegally trade tiger skins and parts, wildlife experts said on Wednesday.—Internet

Indonesian aircraft manufacturer

gets new orders from military

Storm kills three in central Vietnam

Hanoi, 27 Sept— A tropical storm hitting Vietnam's central region since last weekend has claimed three lives, local media reported Tuesday.

A 10th-form student from Quang Tri Province and a 13-year-old grade student from Ha Tinh Province were drowned due to strong flooding, and a resident of Quang Nam Province died on the spot when an electric pole fell onto the person, People's Army newspaper said. Rainwater is inundating many houses, gardens, crops and road sections. By Monday afternoon, local Army forces mobilized nearly 4,000 officers and soldiers, and 229 ships and automobiles to fight against the storm, the fifth striking Vietnam so far this year.— MNA/Xinhua

JAKARTA, 27 Sept— Indonesia's state-owned aerospace firm PT Dirgantara Indonesia (PTDI) has signed three new contracts with the Defence Ministry to supply one aircraft and three helicopters to the Navy and Army, a local newspaper reported on Tuesday.

The Bandung-based company claimed that the contracts, worth up to 125.4 billion rupiah (about 13.6 million US dollars), were for the supply of a NC212-200 aircraft, two NBO-105 helicopters and a NBELL-412 helicopter to the Defence Ministry, reported The Jakarta Post newspaper.

PTDI is the only aircraft manufacturer in Southeast Asia. First established in 1976 under the name PT **Industry Pesawat Terbang** Nurtanio, its name was changed to PT Industri Pesawat Terbang Nusantara in 1985 before it finally became PTDI in the late 1990s.

After some restructuring and reform programme, the name finally changes to PTDI in 2000.

PTDI not only produce airplane but also helicopters and weapons. MNA/Xinhua



Ballboy monkey 'Go' brings a basket of balls to a home-plate umpire at a professional baseball game in Kobe, western Japan, on 27 Sept, 2006. The monkey could hand the basket without dropping the balls in its third trial.—Internet

Myaykhetaung Dam...

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Magway Division set the plans to grow 925,000 acres of monsoon and 160,000 acres of summer paddy this year for ensuring 125 per cent of food sufficiency. Likewise, Pakokku District targeted to cultivate over 140,000 acres of monsoon and summer paddy for ensuring 54 per cent of food sufficiency. In accord with the guidance of the Head of State, construction of 50 small-scale dams including Myaykhetaung Dam out of 71 irrigation facilities have been completed for greening Pakokku District and irrigating 5,000 acres of farmlands. In conclusion, Col PhoneMaw Shwe urged locals to safeguard the dam and canals for their durability.

Next, Deputy Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Ohn Myint

said that Myaykhetaung Dam is the 32nd irrigation facility in Magway Division. A total of 71 smallscale irrigation facilities are being built in Pakokku District, spending K 400 million. On completion, small-scale irrigation facilities will supply water to 8,630 acres of farmland. Likewise, the Government is implementing 13 river water pumping projects in Pakokku District for supplying water to 35,000 acres of land. In conclusion the Deputy Minister thanked officials for their contribution to construction of the dam within one year, and urged the locals to conserve greening of the region and watershed area.

On behalf of the locals, U Kyaw Shwe of Yezagyo Township expressed gratitude.

Next, the Chairman of Magway Division PDC

Progress of Ayethaya Industrial Zone under supervision

NAY PYI TAW, 28 Sept — Eastern Command Headquarters established Kyaukni Farm in Kyaukni Village of Taunggyi Township.

On 24 September, Chairman of Shan State Peace and Development Council Commander of Eastern Command Brig-Gen Thaung Aye inspected thriving grape, physic nut, chilli and mango plantations, storage of water at Byaingchaung Dam, and breeding of fish and poultry.

The commander also viewed mixed-cropping

of pineapple and physic nut plantations and seasonal crops of Taunggyi Station in the compound of the

In the afternoon, the commander proceeded to Ayethaya Industrial Zone, and inspected physic nut extraction machine, manufacturing of body and machine parts, frames of Shan Star Jeep and other machines. Later, the commander instructed officials to supervise manufacturing of products meeting set standard and norms. — MNA



Chairman of Magway Division Peace and Development Council Col Phone Maw Shwe delivers an address at the opening ceremony of Myaykhetaung Dam. — A & I

and the Deputy Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation cordially greeted the local people.

Col Phone Maw Shwe unveiled the stone plaque of the dam. Next, Col Phone Maw Shwe and Deputy Minister U Ohn Myint sprinkled scented water on it. Afterwards, they opened the archway

of the dam.

Col Phone Maw Shwe and Deputy Minister U Ohn Myint posed for documentary photo together with engineers and local people.

Also present on the occasion were members of Magway Division PDC, local authorities, members of the Union Solidarity and Development Association, social organization members, members

Myaykhetaung

Dam

in Yezagyo

Township.

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of War Veterans Organization, Red Cross and Auxiliary Fire Brigades and local people.

After that, Col Phone Maw Shwe inspected the dam, canals and water supply system.

Myaykhetaung

Dam is 44 high ad 1,300 feet long. The dam was built Myaykhetaungyoe Creek near Kaingmagyi Village-tract. The dam can

store 2,880 acre feet of water. Its spillway is 60 feet wide. The conduit is 220 feet long. The 12,000foot canal of the dam is supplying water to the farmlands. Thanks to completion of the dam, 308 acres of monsoon paddy have been cultivated against the target of 345 acres, and the cultivated area will rise up to 500 acres.

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CEC member meets **USDA** members in Mon State

YANGON, 28 Sept — CEC member of the Union Solidarity and Development Association Minister for Mines Brig-Gen Ohn Myint, accompanied by organizers and departmental personnel arrived at Alue Village, Bilin, Mon State on 23 September.

First, the CEC member and party paid homage to Presiding Sayadaw Thukhakaryi Monastery U Aggavamsa and offered provisions to the Sayadaw. Next, they held a meeting with USDA members, members of social organizations and local people in Dhammayon. Afterwards, the CEC member presented prizes to outstanding students from basic high schools who won distinctions in the matriculation examination of 2006. Next the secretary of Mon State USDA

Upon arrival at Thaton, the CEC member held a



accepted 3020 membership applications.

meeting with USDA members, members of social organizations and local people. Similarly, the CEC member held a meeting with departmental personnel, USDA members, members of social organizations and local people in Mudon and accepted cash donated for the rural library by wellwishers. During the meeting, the CEC member called on the local people to take cooperative measures for the realization of sevenpoint Road Map, Our Three Main National Causes, Twelve Objectives, Five Rural Development Tasks.

Chairman of Magway Division Peace and Development Council Col Phone Maw Shwe and Deputy Minister U Ohn Myint inspect Myaykhetaung Dam. — A & I



CSSTB Chairman arrives back

NAY PYI TAW, 28 Sept— A delegation led by Chairman of Civil Service Selection and Training Board Dr Than Nyun arrived back here today after attending the 6th meeting of the schol-

ars for drafting ASEAN Charter held in Siem Reap, Cambodia, form 23 to 25 September.

Cambodian Prime Minister Mr Samdech Hun Sen hosted a dinner in honour of the participants of the meeting at Sokha Angkor Hotel in Cambodia.

Myanmar delegation was welcomed back at Nay Pyi Taw Airport by officials.

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View of the nations that see Myanmar's conditions with objective and sincere outlook and are standing by the country with impartiality

The USA has been interfering in the internal affairs of Myanmar constantly. Now it has attempted to put pressure on Myanmar by utilizing the UN. But there are many countries that never yield to the American hegemony. In addition, there are also many global countries which understand Myanmar's objective conditions with correct and sincere attitude.

An excerpt of the declaration concerning the stance of the government and the people of Myanmar as regards the matter to put Myanmar on the UN Security Council agenda, states as follows:

"Though the USA is persuading and putting pressure, Myanmar's friendly nations stand steadfastly on the side of Myanmar as they understand the actual objective conditions of Myanmar and cannot bear to see the UNSC being misused as a tool in the interest of a big nation."

At the procedural meeting held on 15 September, China's UN permanent representative pointed out the need to study Myanmar's situation thoroughly. He also said that only threats to international peace and security according to the UN Charter warranted inclusion on the agenda. If other issues such as human rights, refugees, drugs and AIDS were also considered for inclusion, any country facing similar issues could be inscribed on the agenda as well. Myanmar's neighbours and ASEAN nations never regarded the situation in Myanmar as a threat to peace and security and the fact that some countries from over the ocean thought otherwise was a far cry from reality. Inclusion of a member country's internal affairs on the agenda is in fact violation of Article 24 of the UN Charter, pointed out China's representative.

Likewise, Qatar's representative noted that Myanmar's neighbours did not consider the country's human rights situations a threat to regional peace and security. Qatar objected the proposal to put Myanmar on the UN Security Council agenda. He also said that inclusion of the Myanmar item on the Council's agenda was inappropriate and would close diplomatic channels to the competent international organizations in the human rights field. Hence, Qatar rejected the proposal.

Reflecting the views of Non-Aligned Movement members, the NAM sent a letter to the UNSC on 10 July 2006, saying, NAM did not assume Myanmar's situation harmful to international peace. Thus, NAM rejected the pressure of a permanent member

nation of the Security Council to put Myanmar on the UNSC agenda, the letter said.

The letter originated at the NAM Coordination Bureau meeting held on 6 July 2006. At the meeting Myanmar's neighbours, Cambodia, Indonesia and Vietnam of the ASEAN and Sri Lanka said that Myanmar did not constitute a threat to international peace and security; and that putting Myanmar on the UN Security Council agenda was not appropriate. Representatives of Africa and Latin America who supported Myanmar said that regional countries knew most that Myanmar did not pose a threat to the region. They told the meeting that Myanmar's neighbours and regional countries had already ascertained that Myanmar was not a threat to peace and security, adding that the matter should not be submitted to the UNSC agenda.

Representatives of NAM countries including India, Indonesia, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka of Asia, Egypt and Nigeria of Africa, and Cuba, Venezuela and Guatemala of Latin America held discussions in support of Myanmar. A number of countries were in favour of Myanmar. NAM Chairman Mr Hamidon Ali sent a letter to UNSC President Mr Jean-Mase de La Sabifera on 10 July, saying that Myanmar should not be put on the UN Security Council agenda.

The UN now has 191 member countries. NAM has 118 member nations, and UNSC has 15 members. To enable the readers to study the letter of the Chairman of the Non-Aligned Nations sent to the President of the UNSC it is presented here:

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

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

In the Security Council area also, it is mentioned, "The Movement reiterates its concern over the continuing encroachment by the Security Council on the functions and powers of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Councils through addressing issues which traditionally fall within the competence of the latter organs, and the attempts to enter the areas of norm-setting and establishing definitions which fall within the purview of the Assembly.

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related thereto. The principled positions of the Movement of these issues have been transmitted to the President of the Security Council for the month of February 2006 through my letters dated 10 February 2006 and 20 February 2006 as contained in documents S/2006/85 and S/2006/111, respectively, copies of which are enclosed herewith.

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

"Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration".

Moreover, after the decision to discuss Myanmar issue at UNSC had been passed, the summit of NAM held in Havana, Cuba, on 17 September inserted a para in its declaration saying that putting Myanmar item on the UNSC's agenda falls outside the purview of UNSC. So, NAM is concerned about the interference of UNSC in the functions and powers of General Assembly, Economic and Social Council.

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"The Heads of State or Government call upon the Security Council to uphold the primacy of and respects for the Charter in connection with its functions and powers stress once again that the decisions by the Security Council to initiate formal or informal decision on the situation in any Member State of the United Nations or any issue that does not constitute a threat to international peace and security is contrary to Article 24 of the Charter".

The NAM summit was attended by representatives of 118 member countries including 57 Heads of State or Government of member countries.

All in all, by reading this article, one can witness the US hegemony to interfere in the affairs of Myanmar by usurping the UN as a tool. It can also be witnessed that Myanmar issue is only its internal affairs and does not constitute a threat to international peace and security; that there are world nations which are always standing by Myanmar realizing the objective condition of the latter.

(Translation: TMT+ST)

Myanmar fully supports the international efforts to eliminate terrorism

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Security Council by its Member States by unjustly placing the situation of Myanmar on the agenda of the Security Council by alleging that it poses a threat to regional peace and security. Nothing could be further from the truth. Myanmar has done nothing that can undermine the peace and security of any country, let alone regional or international peace and security. Myanmar has close and cordial relations with all her five neighbours and other countries in the region.

The founders of the UN did not intend the world body to become a forum where some members with political and economic clout could gang up against a member state, and label it for what is not. We, therefore, urge Member States to resist attempts by those powerful states to influence the Security Council to take action against a Member State which in no way poses any threat to international peace and security.

I wish to touch briefly on the Security Council reform issue. Myanmar is in favour of the expansion of the Security Council in both the permanent and non-permanent categories. The expanded Security Council must also reflect today's political and economic realities. However, the fact that we have not made substantial progress on the expansion of the Council demonstrates the sensitive and complex nature of the issue. It is extremely important that this issue does not become divisive among the United Nations membership. Dialogue and consultations must continue to arrive at a solution acceptable to the overwhelming majority of the membership.

It is encouraging that the first session of the Human Rights Council was successfully held in Geneva in June and is now working in full swing to quickly become an effectively functioning human rights body. The active participation at the high level in that session is a reflection of our commitment to further strengthen the United Nations human rights machinery. It is, however, important that the principle of impartiality, objectivity and non-selectivity are scrupulously observed in the work of the Council. Although we want the Council to become an effective tool in the strengthening of the United Nations human rights machinery, we are not giving the Council carte blanche. It is through the observation of the aforementioned principles, through dialogue and cooperation, and non-politicization of human rights issues that the Council is to function. It is incumbent not only on the members of the Council, but also on all of us to ensure that the Council does not deviate from the direction in which we expect it to head.

Terrorism continues to defy the attempts of the international community to eliminate it as it raised its ugly head again in Mumbai and elsewhere very

It is indeed a challenging task for the National Convention to reconcile the different points of views raised by various groups, while at the same time trying to strike a balance between the interest of the national races on the one hand and that of the nation on the other. However, we are trying to expedite the **National Convention process.**

recently. We are of the view that it is only through the involvement of every community of people that we can be forewarned in time of the impending onslaught of terrorist act. Myanmar fully supports the international efforts to eliminate terrorism. In this regard we are fulfilling our obligations required under Security Council resolution 1373 (2001). We are also taking the necessary measures as required under Security Council resolution 1261 (1999).

A daunting challenge facing the international community is the horrendous crime of human trafficking which the Secretary-General of the United Nations aptly refers to as one of the most reprehen-

rural and urban areas of the country. The National Development Plan addresses the major aspects of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). We have made significant progress to achieve the MDGs by 2015 particularly in such areas as health, education, sustainable access to safe drinking water and access to improved sanitation. In implementing the goals of MDGs, we are primarily relying on our national resources. In this regard, we are also receiving valuable assistance and cooperation from UN agencies concerned.

Finally, I wish to apprise the Assembly of the political developments in my country. We have been

Myanmar regards combating trafficking in persons as a national task

sible violations of human rights. Despite the efforts of the international community to tackle this issue over the last decade, it continues to grow with serious national and international implications for the governments concerned. Human trafficking is a serious international issue and we believe that it requires a coordinated and cooperative response by the entire international community to address the issue.

Myanmar is a State Party to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and its Supplementary Protocols to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, especially Women and Children and the Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air. I would like to stress that Myanmar regards combating trafficking in persons as a national task. We are making relentless efforts in that regard.

Myanmar has designated HIV/AIDS, Malaria and TB as diseases of national concern. In 1989, we set up a high-level multi-sectoral national AIDS committee. We have been cooperating with the United Nations and in 2001, the National AIDS Programme and the Joint UN programme for HIV/AIDS have drawn up a joint Programme of Action, covering education, prevention, cure and rehabilitation to effectively address the challenge. As a result, we are not only able to level the HIV/AIDS infection rate but have been able to reduce it. We are also serving on the UNAIDS Programme Coordination Board. enabling us to address the issue both at the national and international levels.

Narcotic drugs continue to be one of the threats facing us today. As the government of Myanmar regards the eradication of narcotic drugs as a national responsibility, it has striven relentlessly to eradicate it by 2014. Our determined efforts on all fronts have resulted in a substantial decrease in opium production. Over a span of eight years from 1996 to 2004, opium production has declined from 2,560 tons to 292 tons, constituting an 88 per cent decrease.

I would like to reiterate here that Myanmar will step up its efforts in close cooperation with friendly countries and international organizations until we achieve our goal.

Cooperation with the United Nations is a cornerstone of Myanmar's Foreign Policy. Track records have proven that Myanmar has invariably extended its cooperation to the United Nations.

Myanmar has been implementing the National Development Plan with the aim to accelerate growth, achieve equitable and balanced development and to reduce socio-economic development gap between

steadfastly implementing the Seven-Step Road Map for transition to democracy, announced in August

The National Convention which was adjourned on 31 January 2006 will resume its session on 10th October, and will continue to discuss the basic principles for the drafting of an enduring constitution.

It is indeed a challenging task for the National Convention to reconcile the different points of views raised by various groups, while at the same time trying to strike a balance between the interest of the national races on the one hand and that of the nation on the other. However, we are trying to expedite the National Convention process. I wish to stress that the process of transforming the country into a democratic state will move ahead systematically in accordance with the Road Map.

Before concluding, I would like to reaffirm our commitment to working together in upholding the principles enunciated in the Charter of the United Nations and in strengthening the role of the United Nations to respond to the challenges of the 21st century. — MNA

Assessment of Lovingkindness

For every parent Wanting each child To be good

To be well-provided

- To be able to do well
- Are by nature, feelings of loving-kindness.
- Those of common birth Kin, brothers and sisters

With decent life, true loving-kindness

Being considerate

And being helpful Are by nature, feelings of loving-kindness.

- Only that loving-kindness Is noble and binding
- From a different place, distant Aliens claim to raise Our life.
- Not worth bothering, no matching blood No relation, they claim to worry To be concerned, can it be believed.
- Believe it and you'll be wrong, no fable. The nation will suffer, so will your life Which is true loving-kindness? Noble will you be to be able to assess.

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World Vision (Myanmar) donates K 88m to training centres

Yangon, 28 Sept—The World Vision (Myanmar) provided K 88 million to the centres and training schools of Mandalay Division under the Social Welfare Department on 23 September at the school for the deaf and dumb on Sagaing feeder road in Chanmya Thazi Township, Mandalay Division.

Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Maung Maung Swe dealt with current functions of the Social Welfare Department.

Wellwisher Resident Representative Mr Roger Walker of the World Vision (Myanmar) presented the donation to the centres and training schools through the minister. The minister inspected the day nursery and the vocational training centre for women in the township.

Commander meets service personnel bound for **Cocogyun Township**

YANGON, 28 Sept — Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Hla Htay Win this morning met with service personnel who will discharge duties in Cocogyun Township of Yangon South District, at the hall of Thakayta Jetty of Myanma Five Stars Line.

At the meeting, the commander explained fulfillment for all-round development of Cocogyun Township and participation of service personnel in the regional development joining hands with local people.

The commander presented K 32,000 for 16

service personnel, K 42,000 for 42 passengers, and K 274,500 as cash assistance for September for 183 service personnel to officials.

After the meeting, the commander inspected MV Taunggyi of MFSL that will leave for Cocogyun Township, and he handed over 500 assorted books donated by Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing and family to the township library through Chairman of Cocogyun Township Peace and Development Council U Myint Khaing.

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Minister Maj-Gen Maung Maung Swe accepts K 88 million presented by Resident Representative Mr Roger Walker of the World Vision (Myanmar). — MNA

Workshop on Wild Bird Monitoring and Avian Influenza Surveillance held

YANGON, 28 Sept— A workshop on Wild Bird Monitoring and Avian Influenza Sur-veillance, organized by Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department under the Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries, Forestry Department and FAO was held at Grand Plaza Park Royal Hotel this morning.

First, Director-General of LBVD U

Maung Maung Nyunt, | C o n s e r v a t i o n Director of Forestry Department U Saw Alda and resident representative of FAO Mr Tang Zhengping made opening speeches on the occasion.

Present at the workshop were experts from LBVD, Forestry Department, Health Department, Biodiversity and Nature

Association-BANCA, Myanmar Birds Nature Society-MBNS, Yangon Development City Committee **Department for Progress** of Border Areas and Development Affairs.

A total of 10 papers will be read during the workshop that continues tomorrow.

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Myanmar to conduct cricket level-1 coaching course

Yangon, 28 Sept — With a view to ensuring the development of cricket sports and the emergence good coaches, Myanmar will host conducting of the cricket level-1 coaching course in November of 2006.

Development Officer of Asian Cricket Council Mr Roger Binny arrived here by air yesterday to hold a meeting with Myanmar Cricket Federation and make an observation of the development of techniques of Myanmar cricket players to participate U-15 Cricket Tournament to be held in Thailand in December of 2006.

The officer was welcomed at Yangon International Airport by responsible personnel of the Ministry of Sports. Vice-President of MCF



U Kyaw Kyaw, technical officer U Mya Thwin and executives. — MNA

Director-General of Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department U Maung Maung Nyunt delivers an address at Workshop on Wild Bird Monitoring and Avian Influenza Surveillance.

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Mr Roger Binny, Development Officer of Asian Cricket Council, being welcomed by officials of Myanmar Cricket Federation at Yangon International Airport. — MCF





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Ministry of Electric Power No 2 holds coordination meeting

NAY PYI TAW, 28 Sept — The Myo Naing and Director-General of Ministry of Electric Power No 2 continued for the second day of coordination meeting at the ministry, here, this morning, attended by Minister for Electric Power No 2 Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint.

Managing Director U Tin Aung of Electric Power Supply Enterprise, Managing Director Dr San Oo of Myanma Electric Power Enterprise, Chairman of Yangon City Electric Power Supply Board Col Khin Maung Soe, Director of EPSE (Finance) U

Electric Power Department Dr Thein Tun reported on supply of power in states and divisions, collection of charges for bills of power consumption, distribution electricity, maintenance of the national grid, and taking action against those who use electricity illegally.

After fulfilling the requirements, Minister Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint gave the concluding remarks.

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Shan State (East) USDA holds AGM

NAY PYI TAW, 28 Sept — Shan State (East) Union Solidarity and Development Association held its Annual General Meeting-2006 on 26 September in Kengtung, Shan State (East).

Patron of Shan State (East) USDA Commander of Triangle Region Command Maj-Gen Min Aung Hlaing and Central Executive

Committee Member of USDA Deputy Minister for Home Affairs Brig-Gen Phone Swe delivered addresses at the meeting.

Before the meeting, Commander Maj-Gen Min Aung Hlaing and Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Phone Swe presented prizes to outstanding students who passed the matriculation examination

for 2005-2006 academic year with distinctions and students who won prizes in the extempore talks (central level).

At the meeting, the executive committee of Shan State (East) USDA read out an annual report of the association. The meeting passed resolution and approval.

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Educative talks given in Pyinmana



Dr Daw Nyunt Nyunt Oo of Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation briefs on activities of MWAF for prevention against human trafficking and awareness of bird flu. — MNA

Sept—The Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation and the Ministry of Health organized talks on the MWAF, participation of the federation in antitrafficking in persons being implemented by the government, and

NAY PYI TAW, 28 prevention of bird flu at University Agriculture in Pyinmana this morning.

There was attendance of 520 people including Daw Swe Swe Oo, wife of the commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command, heads of department under the MWAF, local authorities and officials of local social organizations.

Head of Organizing Department of the MWAF Dr Daw Nyunt Nyunt Oo informative talks on facts about the federation; Police Captain of Ohnmar Yin Mi of Anti-Human

Transnational Crimes Department of the Myanmar Police Force, on anti-human trafficking measures being taken by the MWAF; and Deputy Director Dr Khin Maung Lwin of the Department of Health, on notable facts about bird flu.

Trafficking Squad of the

Leaders of the working groups replied to the queries raised by those present.

Daw Swe Swe Oo and Dr Daw Nyunt Nyunt Oo inspected preventive measures against avian influenza at the chicken farm of the Myanma Agriculture Service (Head Office) on the university campus and at the chicken farm of U Myo Min Shwe at Aung Chan Tha Ward in Kinpunkan Villagetract in Pyinmana Township.—MNA

Awareness of malaria raised in Phaunggyi **East Village**



Yangon Division Women's Affairs Organization Daw Mar Mar Wai views testing for malaria at Phaunggyi East Village in Hlegu Township. — MNA

YANGON, 28 Sept — Yangon Division Women's Affairs Organization raised public awareness of malaria and donated insecticide treated mosquito nets to locals in Phaunggyi East Village, Hlegu Township, today.

At the ceremony to raise awareness of the mosquito-borne disease held at the village's basic education high school, Patron of Yangon Division WAO Daw Mar Mar Wai distributed insecticidetreated nets to 36 households.

Members of the organization also donated exercise books and contributed cash to the fund of the school.

Dr Daw Nwe Ni Ohn of Yangon Division Health Department gave educative talks on awareness of malaria.

Later, Daw Mar Mar Wai and party viewed antimalaria activities and tests for malaria in the village.

They also held round-table discussion with local women at the village. — MNA

EARTHQUAKE REPORT

(Issued at 23:30 hours MST on 28 -9-2006)

A moderate earthquake of intensity (5.2) on Richter Scale with its epicenter outside of Myanmar about (340) miles southwest of Dawei Seismological Observatory was recorded at (19) hours (56) minutes (32) seconds MST on 28th September 2006.



Wife of Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Daw Swe Swe Oo and Dr Daw Nyunt Nyunt Oo of MWAF visit a chicken farm in Pyinmana to raise awareness of bird flu. — MNA

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China's CPC, Vietnam's CPV to implement common consensus

Beijing, 27 Sept — The Communist Party of China (CPC) is willing to work with the Communist Party of Vietnam (CPV) to implement the consensus reached by the leaders of the two parties, said a senior CPC official here on Tuesday.

Wang Jiarui, head of the International Department of the CPC Central Committee, made the remarks in a meeting with Ho Man Ngoat, vice chairman of the Office of the CPV Central Committee. Wang said the leaders of the two parties had set the political and strategic keynote for bilateral relations and reached an important consensus on pushing forward the friendship and cooperation between the two countries.

China hoped to join with Vietnam to boost

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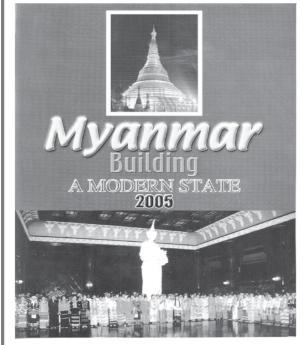
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their friendship, Wang said. He also briefed Ho on China's drive to build a harmonious society.

Ho said all departments of Vietnam were fully committed to carrying out the guidelines set by the leaders of the CPV and the CPC, saying he believed future relations between the two countries was bright.

The two parties had conducted frequent highlevel exchanges. Hu Jintao, China's President and General Secretary of the CPC Central Committee, paid a visit to Vietnam last November. Nong Duc Manh, General Secretary of the CPV Central Committee visited China in August, when they agreed to further boost trade, properly handle border issues and enhance security cooperation.

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China-Vietnam power transmission line operational

Kunming, 27 Sept - China has started supplying electricity to Vietnam through a crossborder 220 kilovolt power transmission line.

The transmission line, expected to supply 110-130 million kilowatt hours of electricity to Vietnam annually, was officially inaugurated on Tuesday in Kunming, capital of Yunnan Province in southwest China.

Yuan Maozhen. chairman of the China Southern Power Grid Company, said the transmission line will go a long way in promoting bilateral economic and trade ties.

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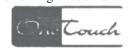
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29 September 2006 Yangon. Iran not to discuss nuclear suspension

in talks with Solana

Teheran, 27 Sept—An Iranian high-ranking nuclear official said on Tuesday that Iran's top nuclear negotiator Ali Larijani would not discuss suspension of the country's uranium enrichment work in the new round of talks with European Union (EU) foreign policy chief Javier Solana, the semi-official ISNA news agency reported.— MNA/Xinhua

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South Korean students wearing traditional costumes perform during Seokjeonje Memorial Rite at the Sung Kyun Kwan in Seoul, on Monday, 25 Sept, 2006. Seokjeonje is celebration to consecrate Confucius and the great sages as of the supreme teacher at the civil temple in order to honour their virtue and follow their instruction, along with playing music and dancing and offering wine for blessing. —Internet

UN expects weak-to-moderate El Nino this year

GENEVA, 27 Sept — Pacific Ocean equatorial waters off South America have warmed, indicating a weak-to-moderate El Nino weather phenomenon this year, the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) said on Tuesday.

It was too early to forecast any extreme effects including hurricanes, but the outlook should become clear in the next month or two, the UN weather agency said in its latest update.

"There is general agreement that the development of a weak to moderate basin-wide El Nino is now likely and that such an event would persist into early 2007," the WMO said.

US forecasters this month warned of an imminent El Nino — a disruption of normal weather patterns that has in the past sparked serious droughts and floods. It occurs about every three years due to a rise in temperatures in the Pacific Ocean.

The WMO saw a small possibility that the event could dissipate but noted that El Nino conditions, once established at this time of the year, almost always persisted until early the following year.

"It is very unlikely that it (El Nino) will be of a

strong intensity," Rupa Kumar Kolli of WMO's world climate programme told a news briefing.

Asked about links to freak weather including hurricanes, he said: "It is difficult to have a one-toone correspondence between El Nino and this type of events. "But as far as the frequency of hurricanes is concerned, there are some statistical relationships."

WMO's latest update was based on a consensus among some 40 forecasting groups, according to the expert. Rising sea surface temperatures in the central and eastern equatorial Pacific could range from "very modest"

(less than half a degree Celsius) to warming associated with typical moderate basin-wide El Nino events (about 1 to 1.5 degree Celsius warming), according to the Genevabased agency.

"Even so-called weak or moderate El Nino events can be associated with severe climatic conditions in some affected areas, serving to emphasise that the evolving situation war-rants careful monitoring," WMO said. Important factors other than El Nino were known to influence regional climate fluctuations, according to the agency.— MNA/Reuters

Vietnam gains bigger seafood export revenues in nine months

Hanoi, 27 Sept-Vietnam is estimated to post seafood export turnovers of 2.3 billion US dollars in the first nine months of this year, a yearon-year rise of 21.2 per cent, according to the Vietnam Association of Seafood Exporters and Producers Tuesday.

Japan is the biggest importer of local seafood, followed by the United States, China, the European Union and Russia, the association said, noting that frozen fish and shrimps are Vietnam's key items with respective estimated export volumes of 302,300 tons and 106,400 tons in the ninemonth period.

Vietnam is boosting exports of different seafood items, including shrimps and prawns, to the traditional markets, and some new ones such as the Middle East, East Europe, Africa and South America.

MNA/Xinhua



Construction workers work behind the Olympic rings at the National Olympic Stadium, also known as the 'bird's nest', in Beijing on 26 Sept, 2006. The Beijing Organizing Committee of the 2008 Olympic Games is conducting tours to show the world's media tourist attractions and Olympic facilities in China.—XINHUA

Study shows alcohol may trigger gout attacks

trigger recurrent painful bouts of gout, a study

The gout-triggering effect of alcohol "occurs within a short period of time, perhaps less than 24 hours," study investigator Yuqing Zhang from Boston University told Reuters Health. "Thus, subjects with established gout should avoid drinking alcohol."

 $Gout \, is \, a \, common \, form \,$

Drinking alcohol, even a often causing recurrent gues found that alcohol small amount, may episodes of pain and consumption, even a swelling of the joints.

> Although effective therapies are available, many patients with gout continue to experience recurrent attacks.

> Alcohol consumption has long been suspected to be a "trigger" for gout attacks; however, this hypothesis has not been formally tested.

> In their study of 179 gout patients who had an attack within the previous

New York, 27 Sept— | of inflammatory arthritis, | year, Zhang and collealight-to-moderate amount, is capable of triggering a bout of gout.

> Compared with individuals who did not drink alcohol, those who drank five to six alcoholic beverages during a 48hour period had a twofold greater likelihood of having a recurrent attack of gout, the investigators report in the American Journal of Medicine.

MNA/Reuters

Plucky Australian boy gets Miss Universe dream date

SYDNEY, 27 Sept—A plucky Australian schoolboy who asked a former Miss Universe to his school dance, only to be rebuffed, has finally had his dream date over

Daniel Dibley, 17, needed a partner for the school dance in the Australian country town of Bathurst, west of Sydney, and he decided to aim high.

He wrote to Australia's best-known beauty queen, Jennifer Hawkins, to ask her to the dance, and was stunned when the 2004 Miss Universe accepted.

MNA/Reuters



This handout photo provided by Boeing shows the launch of the second modernized Global Positioning System Block IIR-15 satellite, on 25 Sept, 2006 at the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Fla. —Internet

Valencia in

driving seat

after 2-1 win

over Roma

Sept — Valencia took

charge of Champions

League Group D on

Wednesday after a 2-1 vic-

tory over AS Roma in a

Midfielder Miguel An-

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minutes later, striker

Francesco Totti netting a

penalty after Valencia full-

back Emiliano Moretti had

wrestled midfielder Marco

Cassetti to the ground in

the area. — MNA/Reuters

Roma were level five

striker David Villa.

VALENCIA (Spain), 28



Werder Bremen's Christian Schulz (L) and Naldo (R) challenge Barcelona's Lionel Messi (C) watched by his team mate Deco during their Champions League Group A soccer match at the Weser stadium in Bremen on 27 Sept, 2006. The match ended 1-1 draw. Internet

Drogba hat-trick gives Chelsea 3-1 win in Sofia

Sofia, 28 Sept—English champions Chelsea went to the top of Champions League Group A on Wednesday as Didier Drogba's hat-trick eased them to a 3-1 victory over injury-hit debutants Levski Sofia at the national stadium Vasil Levski.

Big-spending Chelsea top the group on six points after two games with European champions Barcelona second on four points after snatching a late 1-1 draw at Werder Bremen.

Levski, missing injured first-choice strikers Valeri Domovchiiski and Emil Angelov and with Georgi Ivanov only making the bench, started positively and made the most of the width of the pitch in the early stages.

MNA/Reuters



Spartak Moscow's Martin Stranzl, left, challenges for the ball with Sporting's Brazilian Liedson during their Champions League Group B soccer match in Moscow, on Wednesday, 27 Sept, 2006. —Internet



Marat Safin of Russia strikes a backhand against Kevin King of USA during their first round match at the Thailand Open tennis tournament in Bangkok, Thailand on Wednesday, 27 Sept, 2006. —INTERNET

Carbone signs short-term deal with Sydney FC

Sydney, 28 Sept — Italian forward Benito Carbone has signed a fourweek guest contract to play for Sydney FC, the A-League club said on their website on Thursday.

The 35-year-old former Inter Milan, Sheffield Wednesday and Middlesbrough player will make his debut against Adelaide United on Monday.

Carbone is a short-term replacement for Trinidad & Tobago striker Dwight Yorke, who left Sydney last month to return to England with Sunderland.

MNA/Reuters

Bayern beat 9-man Inter 2-0

MILAN, 28 Sept — Bayern Munich went clear at the top of Champions League Group B after late strikes by Claudio Pizarro and Lukas Podolski gave them a 2-0 win over nine-man Inter Milan at San Siro on Wednesday.

The result gave Bayern six points from two matches, two ahead of Sporting Lisbon and five more than Spartak Moscow. Inter, who had Swedish striker Zlatan Ibrahimovic and Italy defender Fabio Grosso sent off, lie bottom after two defeats. In the build-up to the game, Inter coach Roberto Mancini had ordered his team to be patient and avoid the kind of defensive errors that cost them three late goals in a 4-3 win over Serie A rivals Chievo Verona last weekend.

His players took the advice, closing down Bayern before they could get close to the area.

Unfortunately for Inter, Bayern were equally attentive and, with neither side prepared to commit players forward to attack,



Bayern Munich's striker Lukas Podolski, right, scores in the last minutes of the Group B Champions League soccer match between Inter Milan and Bayern Munich, in Milan, Italy, on Wednesday, 27 Sept, 2006. At left, Inter's goalkeeper Julio Cesar of Brazil and defender Ivan Ramiro Cordoba, at centre. Bayern Munich won 2-0. —INTERNET

the result was a sterile first 45 minutes.

Ibrahimovic wasted Inter's only clear-cut chance of the first half in the 12th minute, when he ran on to a long pass by Dejan Stankovic to go through on goal, only to hesitate and allow Oliver Kahn to

smother the ball at his feet. Ten minutes later,

Bayern's Roy Makaay stole a metre on defender Ivan Cordoba to angle in a low shot that Julio Cesar saved with his foot -- the only save the Interkeeper made before halftime.

MNA/Reuters

Kate Walsh, left, and Chloe Rogers, right, both from England, challenge China's Li Hua Gao during their Women's Hockey World Cup match in Madrid, on Wednesday 27 Sept, 2006. Internet



Nervous Liverpool hang on for 3-2 win

LIVERPOOL (England), 28 Sept — Peter Crouch marked his recall to Liverpool's starting lineup with two goals, one a spectacular scissor kick, as they beat Galatasaray 3-2 in an action-packed Champions League game at Anfield on Wednesday. Crouch's goals, either side of a Luis Garcia header, had Liverpool seemingly cruising after 52 minutes but they ended the game hanging on to their 3-2 lead after Galatasaray substitute Umit Karan replied with two sharp headers as the game flowed from end to end.

The five-times champions held out though to go top of Group C with four points. PSV Eindhoven, who won 1-0 at Girondins Bordeaux, also have four.

"That was a very difficult game, it could have been 4-0 but then they decided to play with two strikers and we couldn't finish it," Liverpool manager Rafael Benitez told Sky

"At 3-0 I thought it was finished. The first half was fantastic, we had good crosses and the goals.

"But sometimes when you go too high you leave a space, it was an open game and as a manager you don't like that, especially at 3-0.

"I was worried at the end but it's three more points.'

Benitez has preferred Craig Bellamy as a partner to Dirk Kuyt in attack since the Dutchman's arrival from Feyenoord, leaving Crouch on the bench for the last

five games.

But the big forward quickly made his point when he scored Liverpool's first goal in six Champions League group games in the ninth minute, barging ahead of Orhan Ak to volley home Fabio Aurelio's dipping cross from the left.

Five minutes later Jermaine Pennant stole the ball from two dithering defenders and aimed a cross to Garcia headed home the second.

Faryd Keeper Mondragon then resorted to the unorthodox to kick out Steven Gerrard's swerving drive after being caught wrongfooted but he could do nothing about Crouch's athletic third as he converted Steve Finnan's cross. MNA/Reuters

ASEAN holds regional anti-disaster exercise in Cambodia

Phnom Penh, 28 Sept—The Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) staged a regional antidisaster exercise in Kandal Province on Wednesday by rescuing victims of floods as part of its efforts to beef up the cooperation among the member countries in the field of disaster relief.

The ASEAN aims "to establish multi-force for the cooperation of sharing each other's resources and of course for reducing the bad effects from disasters by nature or by human," said Cambodian Deputy Prime Minister and Co-Minister of De-

fence Tea Banh while attending the manoeuvre.

Over 2,000 military personnel and observers from ASEAN countries, with 1,262 of them from Cambodia, attended the exercise along River Basac, a major branch of River Mekong, to save

flood victims from water and devastated houses with boats and helicop-

The manoeuvre climaxed while two helicopters atop the river threw down life buoys for dozens of floating victims, who then swam to rescue boats,

landed on shore safely, and were taken to ambulances by medical workers.

Pigs howled and cows meowed as some victims insisted to take their main properties onto boats, and the livestock were scared of their serenity by the emergent situation.

MNA/Xinhua



Australia's Toby Martin surfs against compatriot Mark Occhilupo during the second round of the Quiksilver Pro France, which is part of the ASP Men's World Champion Tour of Surfing, at Hossegor in the south west coast of France on 27 Sept, 2006. — INTERNET



Friday, 29 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

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7:55 am

5. Nice and sweet song 8:10 am 6. The mirror images of

the musical oldies

8:30 am 7. International news

8:45 am 8. Islands of Dhamma

8:50 am

9.ဘဒ္ဒန္တဝါယာမိန္ဒာဘိဝံသ (အဂ္ဂမဟာပဏ္ဍိတ၊ တိပိဋကရေ၊ ဓမ္မဘဏ္ဍာဂါရိက) တိပိဋက မဟာဂန္တာဝင်ကျောင်း၊ ဒဂုံမြို့သစ် (အရှေ့ပိုင်း)မြို့နယ်၊ ရန်ကုန်တိုင်းထံမှ နဝင်္ဂ ဥပေါသထသီလခံယူ ဆောက်တည်ခြင်း

4:00 pm

1. Martial song

4:15 pm

2. Songs to uphold National Spirit

4:30 pm

3. ရန်ကုန်တိုင်း၊ အမှတ်(၃) အခြေခံပညာဦးစီးဌာန၊ ဆဋ္ဌမအကြိမ် ဓမ္မစကြာဝတ်ရွတ် ပူဇော်ပွဲ(ဒုတိယဆု) (အထက–၆၊ ဗိုလ်တထောင်) အမျိုးသားဝတ်ရွတ်အဖွဲ့)

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5:00 pm

5. Song of national races 5:15 pm

6. "သတိတစ်ချက်တစ်သက်အမှား" (ကျော်မင်းနောင်၊ ကြည်လဲ့လဲ့ဦး၊ နန်းကလျာလှိုင်) (ဒါရိုက်တာ– စောစန္ဒာလှိုင်)

7.၂၀၀၆ ခုနှစ် (၁၄) ကြိမ်မြောက် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှု အဆို၊ အက၊ အရေး၊ အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ ဝင်များ လေ့လာနိုင်ကြရန် (မဟာဂီတ) (အဆင့်မြင့်ပညာ ၁၅ – ၂၀ & ၂၈ ၆ (အမျိုးသား၊အမျိုးသမီး)

5:45 pm

8. ဖြစ်ထွန်းအောင်မြင်ရှမ်းပြည် နယ်မြှောက်ပိုင်း တစ်ခွင် (လိုက်ချီး၊ ကြက်ဆူ)

6:00 pm

9.Evening news 6:30 pm

10. Weather report

6:35 pm 11.သုတစုံလင်ရွှေဘဏ်ရှင်

7:05 pm 12. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ 'အချစ်နတ်သမီး"

(အပိုင်း–၅) 8:00 pm

13. News

14. International news 15. Weather report

16. နိုင်ငံခြားဓာတ်လမ်းတွဲ ရေသူမလေးပထမချစ်ပုံပြင်"

(အပိုင်း–၄) 17. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး ဦးဝိစိတ္တသာရာဘိဝံသ၏ အရပ် ဆယ်မျက်နှာမေတ္တာဘာဝနာ

ပွားများခြင်းတရားတော် 18. The next day's programme



Friday, 29 September Tune in today

8:30 am Brief news **8:35 am** Music:

> -On the horizon Melanic C

8:40 am Perspectives 8:45 am Music:

-Every other time LFO

8:50 am National news Slogan

9:00 am Music:

-What about .. Toybox

9:05 am International

news **9:10 am** Music:

-I like your style My town

1:30 pm News / Slogan 1:40 pm Lunch time

music -Dizzy

Tommy Rose -Don't cry Toni

.... Conway **Turitty**

-Honey come back Glen Campbell

9:00pm WOM

-Germany, France, Spain,

China, Laos **9:15 pm** Article 9:25pm Music at your

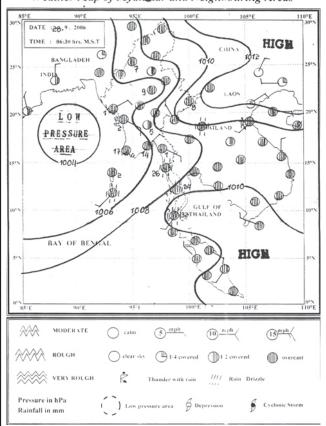
request -You haven't

done nothing .. Steuie

-Your kiss is sweet....Syreeta -Emotion ...

Helan Reddy 9:45 pm News / Slogan **10:00 pm** PEL

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Thursday, 28 September, 2006

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 **hours MST:** During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Kachin State, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Kayah State, lower Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions, scattered in Shan and Chin States, fairly widespread in Rakhine State and widespread in the remaining areas with isolated heavyfalls in Mandalay and Magway Divisions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Chauk (2.17) inches, NyaungU (1.50) inches, Minbu (1.42) inches, Magway (1.30) inches and Aunglan (0.63)

Maximum temperature on 27-9-2006 was 85°F. Minimum temperature on 28-9-2006 was 75°F. Relative humidity at 09:30 hours MST on 28-9-2006 was (96%). Total sunshine hours on 27-9-2006 was (1.8) hours approx.

Rainfalls on 28-9-2006 were (0.63) inch at Mingaladon, (0.67) inch at Kaba-Aye and (0.94) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfalls since 1-1-2006 were (92.80) inches at Mingaladon, (104.80) inches at Kaba-Aye and (108.70) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (16) mph from East at (12:30) hours MST on 27-9-

Bay inference: According to the observations at (06:30) hours MST today, a low pressure area over Central Bay of Bengal still persists. Monsoon is strong in the Andaman Sea and South Bay and weather is cloudy elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 29-9-2006: Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in lower Sagaing, Mandalay and Magway Divisions, Shan and Kayah States, fairly widespread in Kachin, Chin States, upper Sagaing Division and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the Sea: Squalls with 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: Thundery conditions in lower Myanmar area.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbourareas for 29-9-2006: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring areas for 29-9-2006: Some rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring areas for 29-9-2006: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

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Founders of UN did not intend world body to become forum where some members with political, economic clout could gang up against a member state

Although we want the Council to become an effective tool in the strengthening of the United Nations human rights machinery, we are not giving the Council carte blanche

Process of transforming the country into a democratic state will move ahead systematically in accordance with the Road Map

NAY PYI TAW, 28 Sept — Leader of Myanmar delegation Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, on 26 September, delivered an address on policy at the 61st Session of the United Nations General Assembly. The following is the full text of the address:

First of all, I wish to congratulate Your Excellency Sheikha Haya Rashid Al Khalifa on your election as President of the Sixty-First Session of the United Nations General Assembly. We are convinced that your vast experience in international relations and able leadership will lead this session to

a successful conclusion. I would like to pay tribute to your predecessor Mr Jan Eliason who led the last session of the General Assembly most ably and successfully.

I would also like to take this opportunity to express our deep appreciation to Secretary-General Mr Kofi Annan whose stewardship of this Organization over the last ten years has brought about many positive and remarkable changes to the world body. His tireless and dedicated service to the international community will be indelibly etched in our collective

Myanmar has done nothing that can undermine the peace and security of any country, let alone regional or international peace and security. Myanmar has close and cordial relations with all her five neighbours and other countries in the region.

memory

The reform of the United Nations to meet the new challenges of our times is an ongoing process that needs to be assessed constantly. While we have achieved tangible progress in some areas such as the establishment of the Human Rights Council and the Peace Building Commission, progress is yet to be made in other areas. The success of the reform of the United Nations must be judged in terms of its effective response to the contemporary needs of Member States, in particular, those of the developing countries, which form the majority of the UN membership. While many states, including the developing countries, struggle to protect and advance the principles and practices of multilateralism, the tendency towards unilateralism remains strong. This unhealthy tendency should in no way gain ascendancy if the United Nations is to remain viable.

Attempts by some strong and powerful states to impose their will on developing countries in pursuit of their political agenda, create an environment of hostility in the international community.

To our dismay and frustration, there has been glaring abuse of the mandate entrusted to the (See page 9)

SSA of Shan State (North) Special Region 3 objects the decision to put Myanmar on UNSC agenda, declares it unacceptable

The decision will undermine and disturb peace, stability, rule of law, national solidarity, democracy transition

NAY PYI TAW, 28 Sept — Shan State Army (SSA) of Shan State (North) Special Region 3 on 25 September issued a declaration officially expressing its stance concerning the decision to put Myanmar on the agenda of the UN Security Council.

The following is the full text of the declaration:

25 September 2006

The stance of the SSA of Shan State (North) Special Region 3 concerning the decision to put Myanmar on the agenda of the UN Security Council

1. Due to the submission of the permanent US representative to the UN, a decision was made on 15 September 2006 to put Myanmar on the agenda of the UNSC.

2. We object the decision and declare it unacceptable as it will undermine and disturb peace and stability and the rule of law, that are prevailing in Myanmar, and the national solidarity, developments in all sectors and the ongoing democratization process.

Signed
Chairman
(Central) Executive Committee
Shan State (North) Special Region 3
SSA

MNA